絶対ロ憐チルドレン 4

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そう遠くない未来、超能力者の存在が当たり前のものになり、
しかし、普通人との軋轢が完全になくなったわけではない世界。
次第に正体を現し始めた旧人類と敵対するエスパー組織を前に、最強のエスパーチーム
「ザ・チルドレン」はどう戦うのか……？
いよいよ運命の歯車が動き出した、超能力少女育成コメディー、第4巻!!

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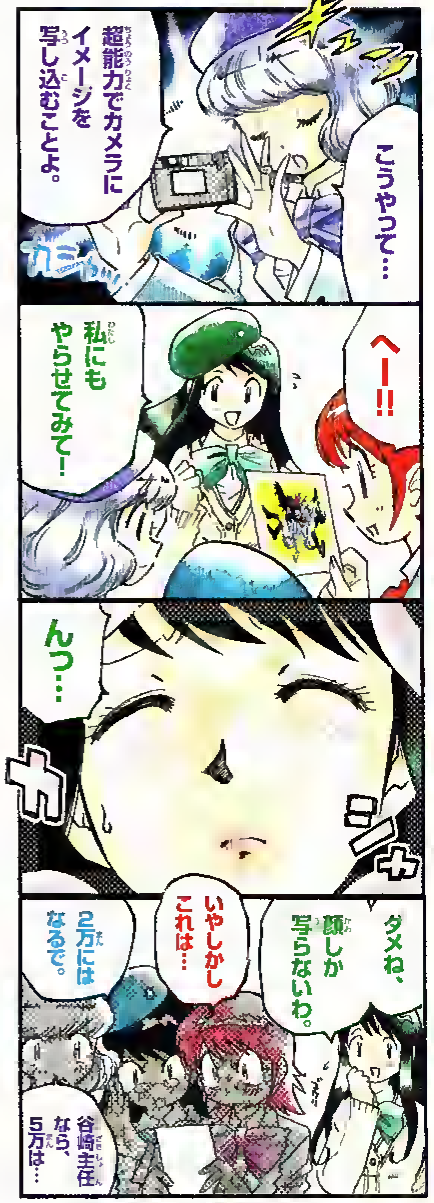

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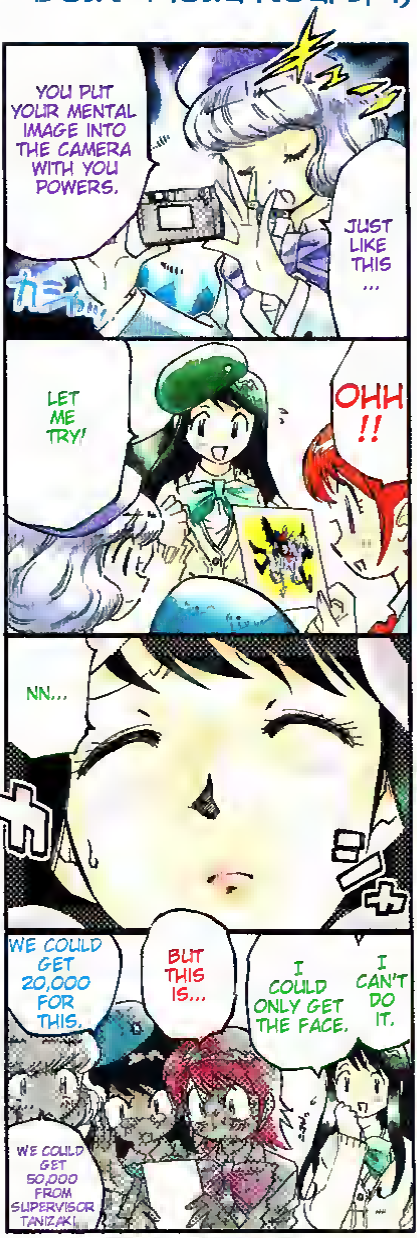
YOU PUT YOUR MENTAL IMAGE INTO THE CAMERA WITH YOU POWERS.
JUST LIKE THIS ...
カシャ!
LET ME TRY!
OHH !!
NN...
カシャ
WE COULD GET 20,000 FOR THIS.
BUT THIS IS...
I COULD ONLY GET THE FACE.
I CAN'T DO IT.
WE COULD GET 50,000 FROM SUPERVISOR TANIZAKI.

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★前巻までのあらすじ★

21世紀――エスパーが、あらゆる分野で増え続けている時代。

そんな時代に現れた「超度7」の最強エスパー・薫、葵、紫穂の三人娘。

彼女たちの仕事は、特務エスパー「ザ・チルドレン」として、危険な任務に従事すること。

若き天才科学者・皆本光一は、超オマセでジャジャ馬な彼女たちを正しきエスパーにさせるため、日々奮闘しているのだが…

そんな中、史上最悪のエスパー犯罪者・兵部京介が現れる。なぜか「ザ・チルドレン」に興味を持ち、皆本にちょっかいを出す兵部。彼の真の狙いとはいったい…!?

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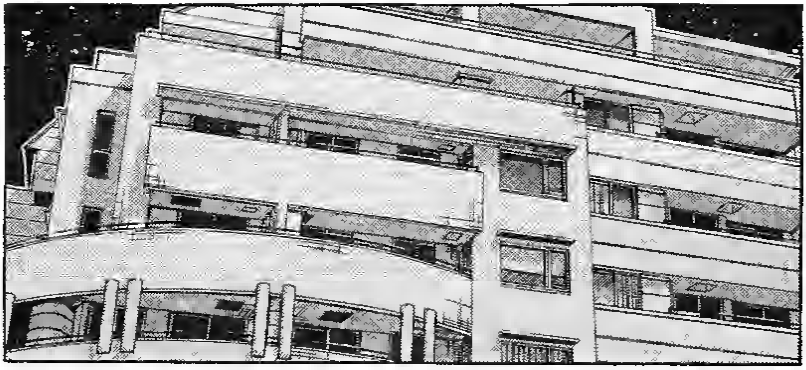
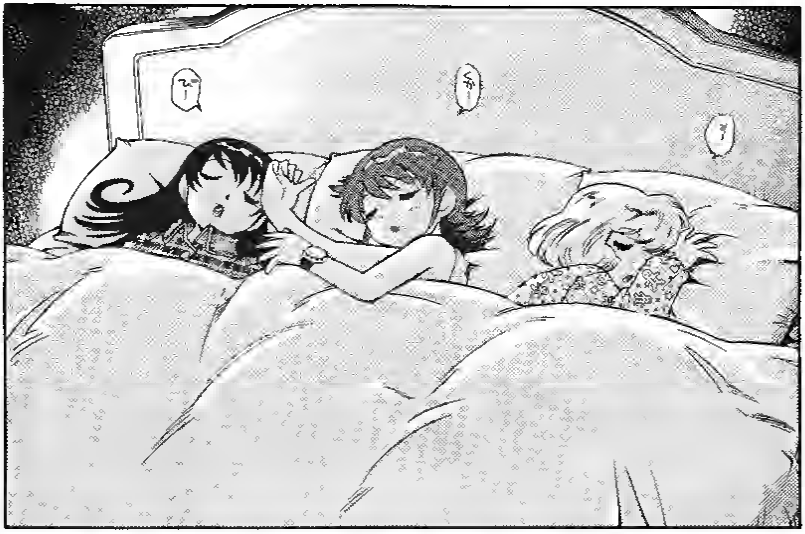
1st sense.
ハート・ブレイカー(1)

Heart Breaker (1)





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HOO.
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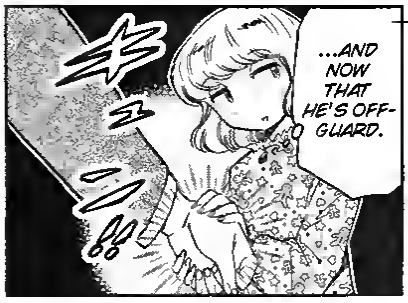
ごきゅ
ごきゅ
3
WHAT'S WITH THESE PINK BUSINESS CARDS?
"COME AGAIN"?
YOU STINK OF ALCOHOL AND PERFUME!?
AH, THERE'S LIPSTICK ON IT.
WAAH!!

YOUR DINNER'S COLD...
I'M GOING BACK TO MY REAL HOME!!
MINAMOTO-HAN'S IMPURE!!
SHOULDN'T YOU BE HERE EVERY NIGHT!?
WHAT'S GOING ON!?
WHAT ARE YOU, MY WIVES!?
き…!?

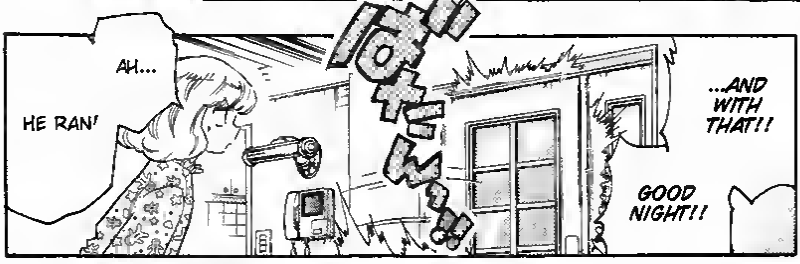
IT'S NOT THAT I WANT TO GO OUT DRINKING EVERY NIGHT!
MY JOB. IT WAS MY JOB!!
I HAVE MORE TO DO THAN LOOK AFTER YOU THREE!!

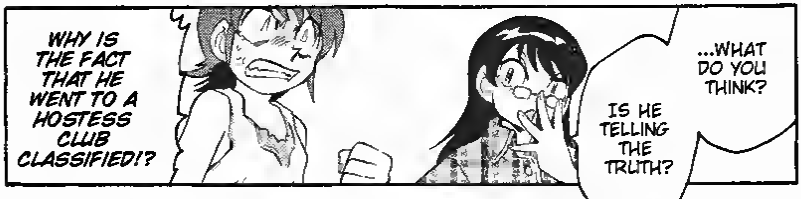

...AND NOW THAT HE'S OFF-GUARD.

SO THAT'S IT.
I BELIEVE YOU, MINAMOTO-SAN.

IT THROWS THE ELECTRICAL POTENTIAL OF MY BODY'S SURFACE OUT OF ORDER SO THAT YOU CAN'T READ MY MIND.
SORRY.
I'M USING A CLAIRVOYANCE PROTECTOR.
.....!?
IN OTHER WORDS...
.....
ROGER.
GUWAH!!
WE CAN GO AT YOU FOR REAL!?
GO FOR IT, KAORU, SHIHO!

IT CONCERNS HIGHLY CLASSIFIED INFORMATION!
USING CLAIRVOYANCE TO READ IT IS A FELONY!!
!
ST-
STOP!!
DO YOU REALLY THINK AN ELECTRICAL DEVICE CAN PROTECT YOU FROM MY LEVEL 7 CLAIRVOYANCE?
IF I GO ALL OUT...


AH...
HE RAN!
...AND WITH THAT!!
GOOD NIGHT!!


WHY IS THE FACT THAT HE WENT TO A HOSTESS CLUB CLASSIFIED!?
...WHAT DO YOU THINK?
IS HE TELLING THE TRUTH?

I WANT TO BE WITH THE HOSTESSES AND MAKE RIDICULOUS DEMANDS WHILE PLAYING THE KING GAME, TOO!!
HOW COULD HE DO THAT WHEN HE HAS US!!
TAKE ME WITH YOU!!
HE'S CHEATING ON US!!
YOU SHOULDN'T PLAY THE KING GAME LIKE THAT!!

IF IT REALLY WAS WORK, WE'LL BE LUCKY TO ONLY GET A FINE...
BUT IF I USE CLAIRVOY-ANCE ON HIM, HE'LL KNOW.
I WANT TO KNOW WHERE HE WAS AND WHAT HE WAS DOING...

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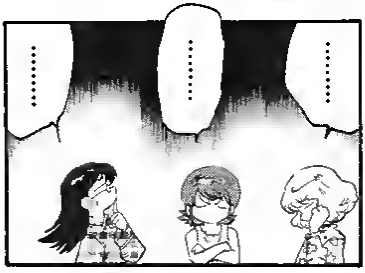
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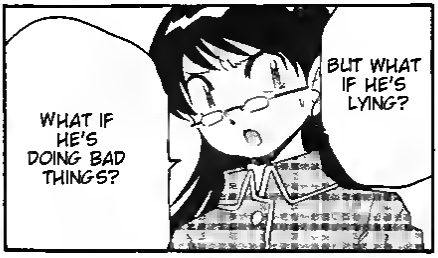
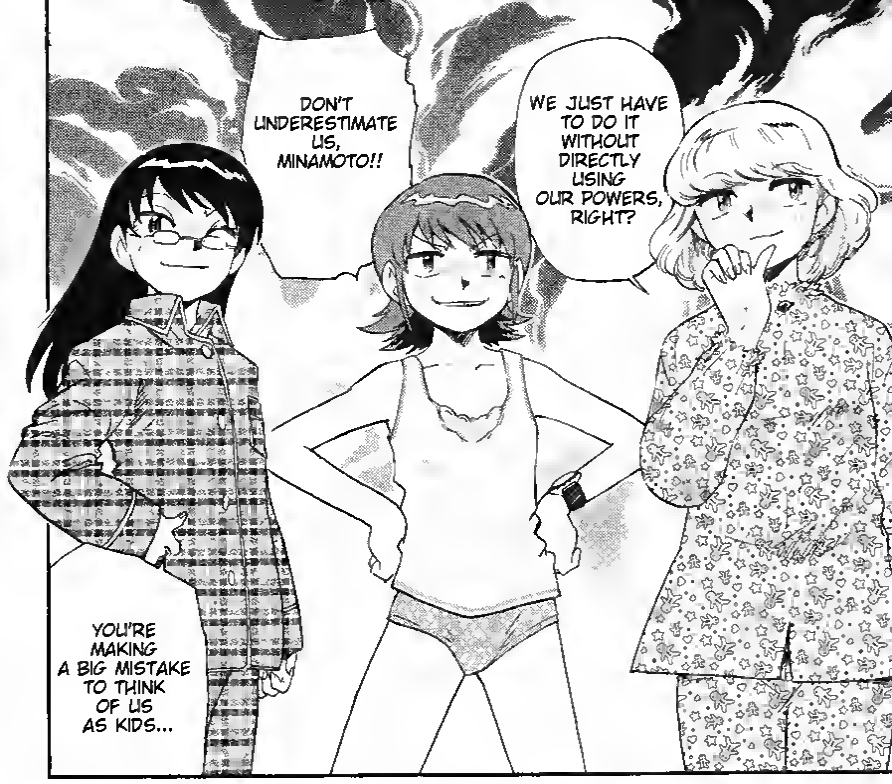
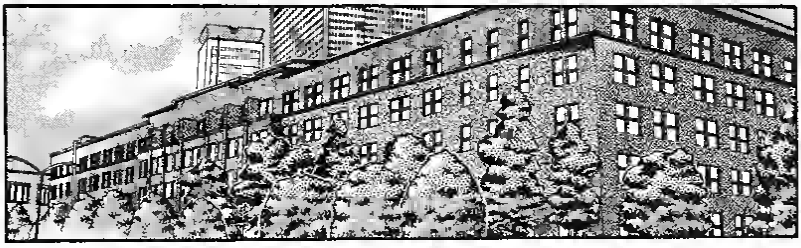

WHAT IF HE'S DOING BAD THINGS?
BUT WHAT IF HE'S LYING?


DON'T UNDERESTIMATE US, MINAMOTO!!
WE JUST HAVE TO DO IT WITHOUT DIRECTLY USING OUR POWERS, RIGHT?
YOU'RE MAKING A BIG MISTAKE TO THINK OF US AS KIDS...



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HOW IS IT, DOCTOR?
HMM...
IT'S JUST A COLD.
YOU'RE NOT INFECTED WITH THE INFLUENZA VIRUS.
JUST TAKE SOME MEDICINE.
BUT...
THERE'S SOMETHING THAT CAUGHT MY ATTENTION...
Level 6 Psychometer
Sakaki Shuuji (22)

DID YOU FIND AN EARLY STAGE OF SOME TERRIBLE DISEASE!?
WH-WHAT IS IT!?
NO, IT'S JUST...
AH, NO...
IT'S NOT REALLY WORTH WORRYING ABOUT AT THIS STAGE...
...DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!!
I KNOW! WHY DON'T WE GO HAVE A MORE PERSONAL CHAT NEXT TIME!!
HE ALWAYS TRIES TO PICK UP WOMEN LIKE THIS.
WE CAN EAT TOGETHER AND...
10
.....!!
AT YOUR LEVEL, YOU JUST HAVE TO HOLD HER HAND, RIGHT!?
THEN WHY DID YOU HAVE HER TAKE OFF HER CLOTHES?!
MI-MINAMOTO!?
TH-THIS WAS SERIOUSLY A MEDICAL MATTER...!!

HEY!
YOU MAY BE MY FORMER COWORKER, BUT YOU CAN'T COME IN DURING A MEDICAL EXAMINATION!
JERK!!
EVEN GOING TO THE SPECIAL DIVISION ISN'T GOING TO CHANGE HOW DAMN SERIOUS YOU ARE, HUH!?
I INTENDED TO WAIT UNTIL YOU WERE DONE...
BUT I COULDN'T OVERLOOK THAT SEXUAL HARASSMENT.
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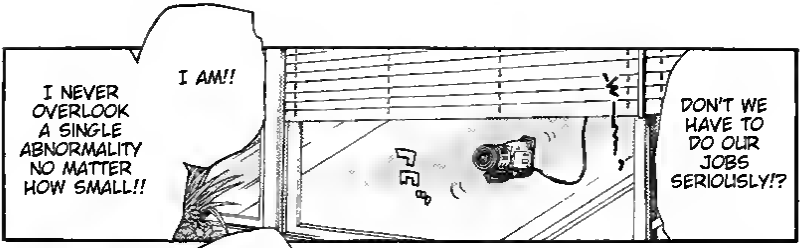
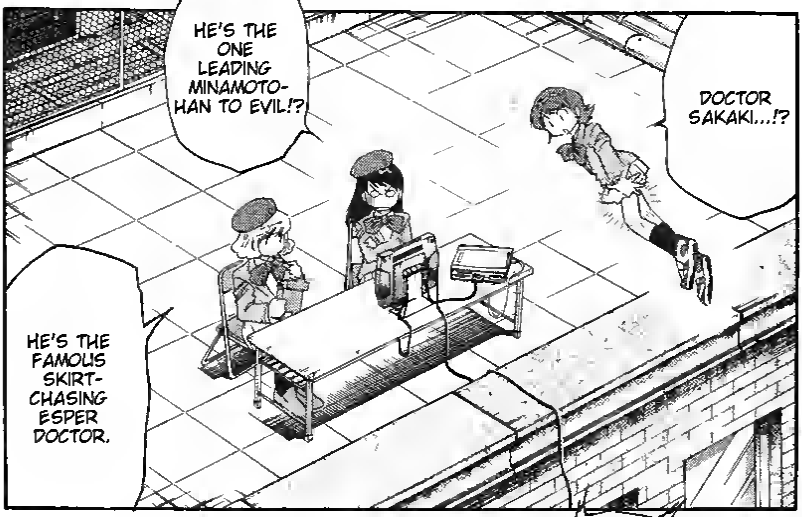
SEEING AS WE'RE BOTH YOUNG GENIUSES WHO WERE TRANSFERRED HERE AT THE SAME TIME,
I THINK WE SHOULD BE TRYING TO GET ALONG A LITTLE BIT BETTER!


I NEVER OVERLOOK A SINGLE ABNORMALITY NO MATTER HOW SMALL!!
I AM!!
DON'T WE HAVE TO DO OUR JOBS SERIOUSLY!?


HE'S THE FAMOUS SKIRT-CHASING ESPER DOCTOR.
HE'S THE ONE LEADING MINAMOTO-HAN TO EVIL!?
DOCTOR SAKAKI...!?

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IF I DON'T DO THIS RIGHT, THEY'LL PROBABLY FOLLOW ME!
"THE CHILDREN" SEEM TO BE INTERESTED IN WHAT I'M DOING.
ABOUT THAT...
IT'S GONNA BE DIFFICULT...
ARE YOU UP FOR TOMORROW?
SO, WHAT ABOUT IT?

IT SOUNDS LIKE SOMETHING THEY'D DO.
IF I TELL THEM NO, THERE'S NO WAY THEY'LL STOP.
ARE YOU SURE?

!?
WE CAN'T HAVE ANY INTERRUPTIONS.
TOMORROW'S GOING TO BE DIFFERENT FROM BEFORE.
I'VE WAITED HALF A YEAR TO GO ON A DATE WITH THEM!!
B.A.B.E.L.'S SHOW GIRLS!
WE'RE GOING ON A JOINT DATE WITH THE BEAUTIFUL ESPER RECEPTIONIST TEAM!!
WE'RE UP AGAINST VERY FORMIDABLE OPPONENTS...!!

IN ME!?
YEAH!!
AS SOON AS I SAID YOUR NAME, THEY SAID OKAY!
ALSO, THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE THEY'RE INTERESTED IN YOU!!
A CHANCE LIKE THIS DOESN'T COME A SECOND TIME!!
ARE YOU GOING TO LET IT SLIP BY BECAUSE OF THOSE BRATS!?
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Receptionist Esper Team "The Double Face"

HUH?
NO, FROM FOREIGN AFFAIRS...
THERE ARE TWO NAKAMURAS IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS?
THIS IS THE RECEPTION DESK.
CALL THE CHIEF.
YOU'RE NAKAMURA-SAMA FROM THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, RIGHT?
WAIT JUST A SECOND.
16
WELL, EXCUSE ME!!
AND HE HAS FEELINGS FOR CAPTAIN KASHIWAGI.
UMM..
IT'S THE NAKAMURA WEARING A WIG AND THICK SOLED SHOES.

WELL, THEY WON'T OVERLOOK ANYONE SUSPICIOUS.
ARE THEY RIGHT FOR BEING RECEPTION-ISTS?
THEM, HUH...!?
17
NOWAKI HOTARU (20).
LEVEL 5 TELEPATH.
TOKIWA NATSUKO (20)
LEVEL 5 CLAIRVOY-ANCE.

SO HE'S GOING OUT WITH THOSE TWO.
.....
THAT QUICKLY!?
IT'S LIKE CLAIRVOY-ANCE!!
BBG!!
BGE!!

HE SURE IS, BUT NOW...
MINAMOTO SURE IS EASYGOING.
WE HAVE TO PUNISH HIM.
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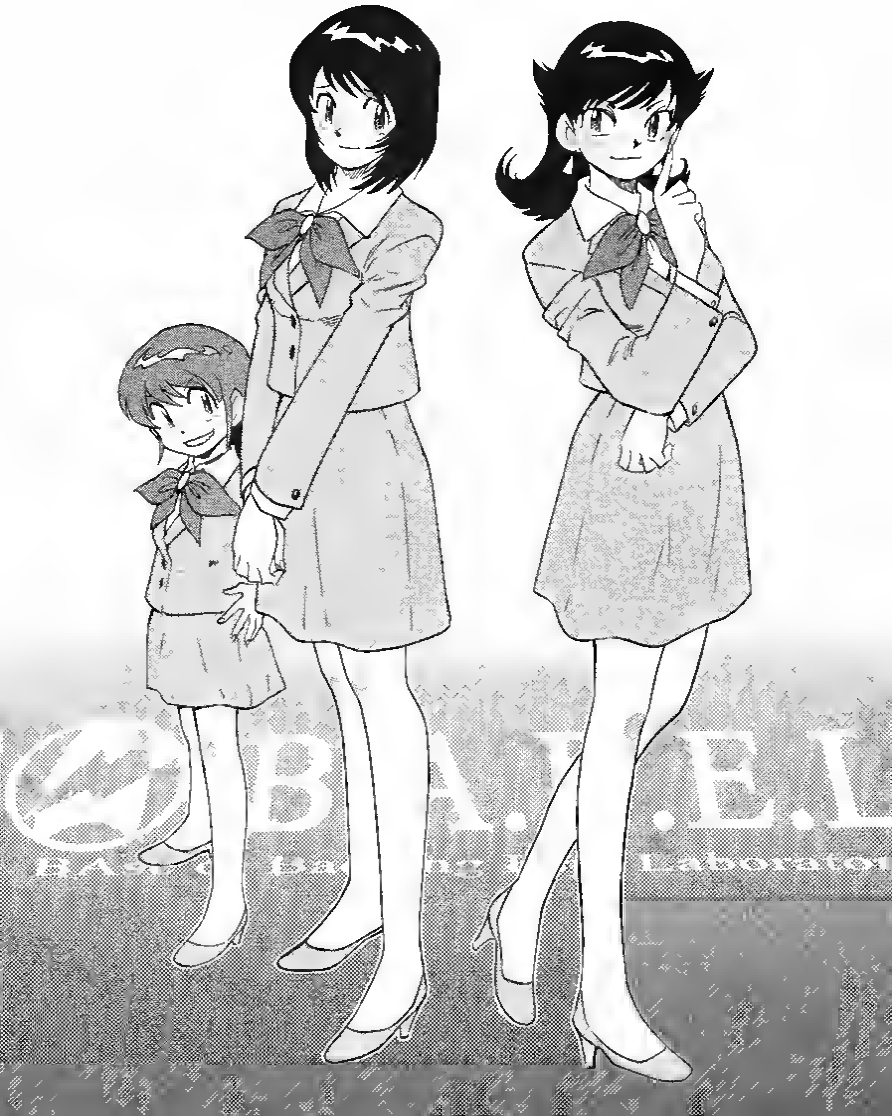
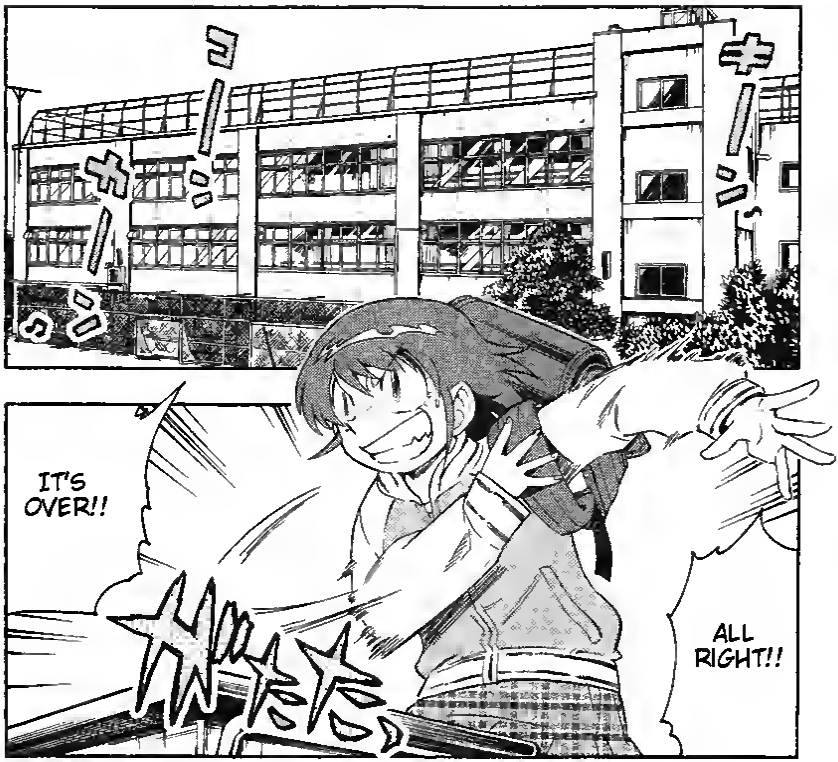
2nd sense.

ハート・ブレイカー（2）

Heart Breaker (2)





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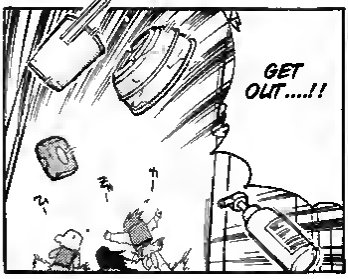
HEY, AKASHI-SAN...
OH.
ABOUT TODAY'S HOME-WORK...
.....!?
HUH?

EH!?
YOU HAVEN'T LEFT YET!!
THANK GOD...!!
DAA AH!?


GET OUT....!!

GET ...!!
AH...!!
YAH...!?
.....

.....
THEY CAME BACK IN A HURRY...
LET'S SEE...
TH-THOSE GIRLS...!!
AAH, MY HAIR...!?
HURRY!!
NO, WITHOUT THIS.....!!
5
DING-DONG!
THEY DEFINITELY INTEND TO COME ALONG...!!
IT'S NO USE!!
IT...

MINAMOTO-KUUUUUN!!
LET'S PLAAAAAAY!!
I TOLD YOU TO COME COVERTLY!!
WELL... THAT SOUNDED LIKE TOO MUCH TROUBLE.
6
SO I BROUGHT SOMEONE TO HELP.
!!
AH.
HELLO.
Synthetic Power Esper
Kugutsu Takashi (21)

THIS'LL BE FUN.
THANKS FOR INVITING ME!
A GROUP DATE, HUH...!?
DO YOU THINK WE GOT A LITTLE TOO FIRED UP?
WE'RE READY!!
ALL RIGHT!!
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HUH?
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MINA-
MOTO...!?
YOU'RE
STILL
HERE...!?
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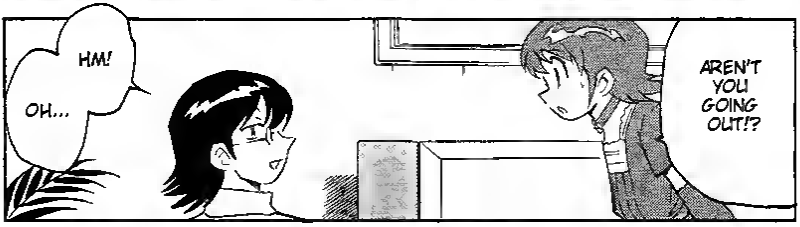
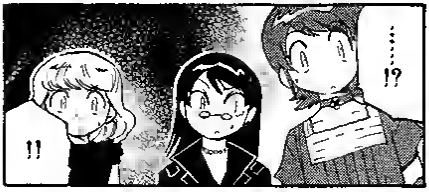

HM!
OH...
AREN'T
YOU
GOING
OUT!?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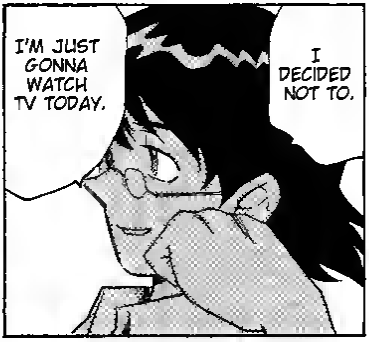
I'M JUST
GONNA
WATCH
TV TODAY.
I
DECIDED
NOT TO.

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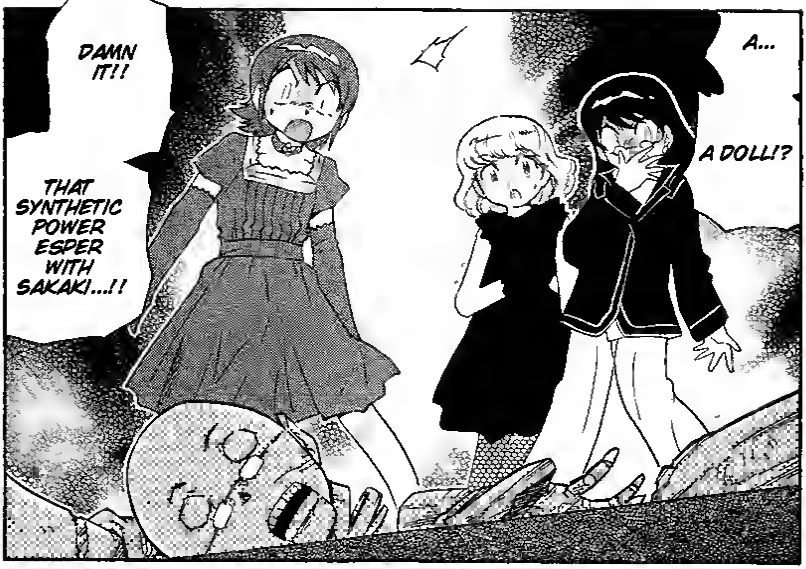
!!
KAORU-CHAN!!
THIS...
ISN'T MINAMOTO-SAN!!
EH...!?
!!


DAMN IT!!
THAT SYNTHETIC POWER ESPER WITH SAKAKI...!!
A...
A DOLL!?

YOU USE PSYCHOKINESIS TO CREATE A HUMANOID VESSEL THAT YOU BURN CONSCIOUSNESS INTO...!!
AMAZING!
WELL, I DON'T GIVE IT CONSCIOUSNESS.
AS A SYNTHETIC POWER ESPER, I CAN'T ACTIVATE MY POWER UNLESS IT HAS THAT FORM.

YEAH, I WAS PLANNING ON INVITING HIM TO THE NEXT GET-TOGETHER...
BUT I WAS IN A HURRY TO FIND SOME-ONE TO DEAL WITH "THE CHILDREN"
HEY...!
WON'T HE BE OUT OF PLACE TODAY...?
.....
ISN'T THAT RIGHT, MOGA-CHAN!
IT WAS NECESSARY TO LEAVE THEM OUT OF THIS.
I DON'T THINK...

ALSO...
THIS IS A JOB THAT CAN'T BE DONE WITH BRUTE FORCE.
I DON'T WANT TO GET THEM INVOLVED WITH THIS DIRTY MISSION.
ESPECIALLY WITH SHIHO-CHAN. SHE HAS MORE POWER AS A PSYCHO-METER THAN I DO.
WE CAN'T DO THAT.

I THINK YOU'RE BEING A BIT OVERLY CAUTIOUS.
HMM.
WELL, IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT.

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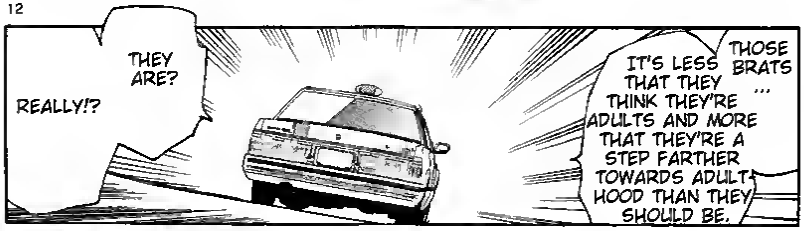
REALLY!?
THEY ARE?
IT'S LESS THAT THEY THINK THEY'RE ADULTS AND MORE THAT THEY'RE A STEP FARTHER TOWARDS ADULTHOOD THAN THEY SHOULD BE.
THOSE BRATS ...

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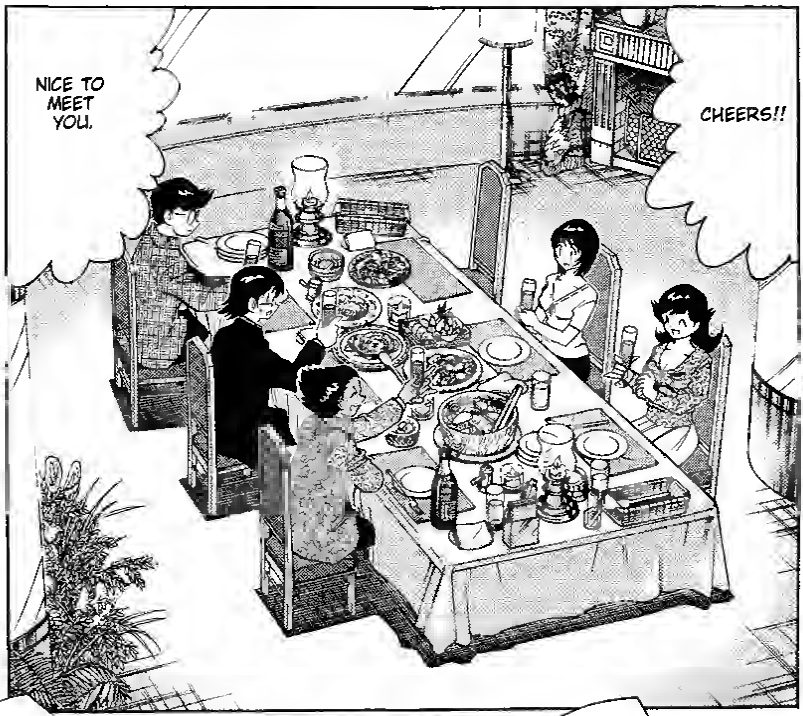
Paradiso
A TOAST TO OUR FRIENDSHIP AS YOUNG COWORKERS!!
ON THAT NOTE...


NICE TO MEET YOU.
CHEERS!!

ALL THE MORE REASON TO BE WORRIED.
DON'T WORRY!
WE'RE WITH YOU TODAY!!

YOU ALWAYS CAUSE TROUBLE LATER, SO DON'T DRINK TOO MUCH, OKAY?
NOW, LET'S DRINK!

EH?
ALWAYS WANTED TO HAVE A GOOD LONG TALK WITH YOU, MINAMOTO-SAN.
I'VE...
WELL... THANKS...

I INVITED ONE MORE PERSON, BUT SHE'S RUNNING A BIT LATE.
DON'T WORRY!!
EH?
WHO?
WHY IS THERE AN ODD NUMBER OF PEOPLE?
AH.
IF THIS IS A GROUP DATE...
.....
14
IS THAT TRUE?
WAIT, WHAT DO YOU MEAN I LIKE LOLIS!?
A MINOR...? WHAT ARE YOU...?
CAUSE I KNOW HOW MINAMOTO LIKES LOLIS.
SHE'S A MINOR.
...WHERE ARE THEY!?
THEY'RE DEFINITELY SOMEWHERE AROUND HERE.
BUT IT SEEMS SAKAKI-SAN'S PROTECTING THEM.
I'LL TRY TO USE CLAIRVOYANCE ON HIM IF I CAN...

SHIT!!
MINAMOTO'S SOMEWHERE AMONG THESE LIGHTS...!!
NOT TO MENTION THAT HE'S A PSYCHOMETER JUST LIKE YOU...
EVEN IF I USE REALLY POWERFUL CLAIRVOYANCE...
IT NEEDS TO BE AT A TIME WHEN HE'S COMPLETELY DEFENSELESS...
BUT READING A HIGH LEVEL ESPER'S MIND IS REALLY HARD.
I WON'T FORGIVE YOU, MINAMOTO-HAN!!
IMPURE!!
YOU'RE DOING SOMETHING FUN, AREN'T YOU!!
JUST GIVE UP.
DAMN IT!!
15
I WON'T FORGIVE YOU, NAOMI!!!
I WON'T FORGIVE YOU!!
HM?

CUT IT OUT!!
YOU PERVERTED COM-MANDER!!
OHH! ♡
!!
THIS IS TO HELP MINAMOTO-SAN!
DIDN'T HE SAY IT WAS AN IMPORTANT MISSION!?

GOING WHERE...?
YOU'RE GOING, TOO?
I KNOW ABOUT THE MISSION, SO YOU CAN TALK ABOUT IT.

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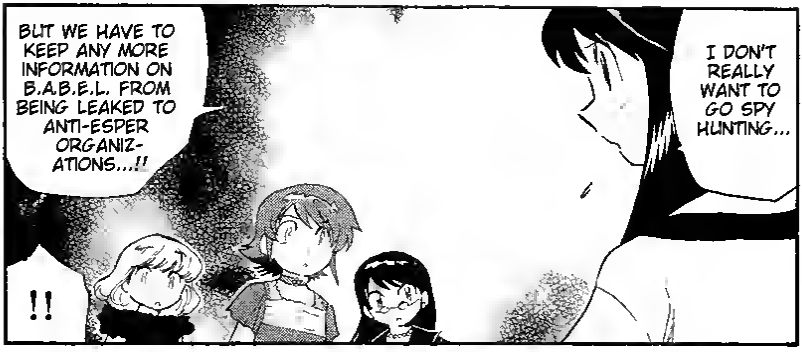
NA...
OH, YOU THREE...!!
NAOMI-CHAN!!
DUM.


I DON'T REALLY WANT TO GO SPY HUNTING...
BUT WE HAVE TO KEEP ANY MORE INFORMATION ON B.A.B.E.L. FROM BEING LEAKED TO ANTI-ESPER ORGANIZ-ATIONS...!!
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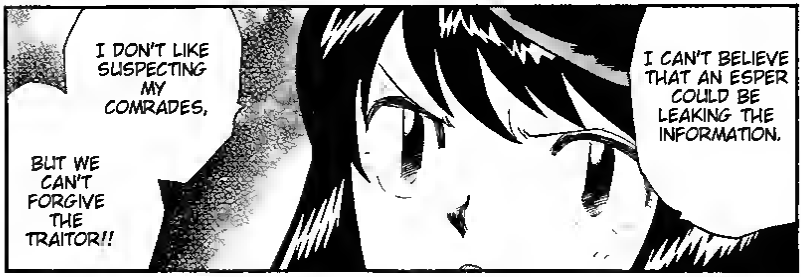
I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT AN ESPER COULD BE LEAKING THE INFORMATION.
I DON'T LIKE SUSPECTING MY COMRADES,
BUT WE CAN'T FORGIVE THE TRAITOR!!

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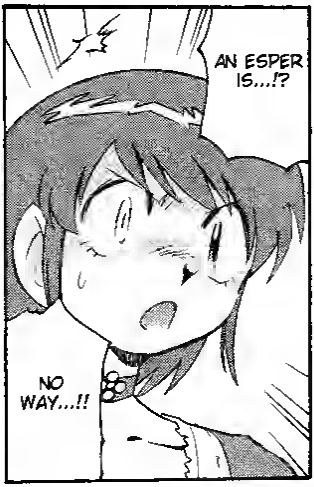
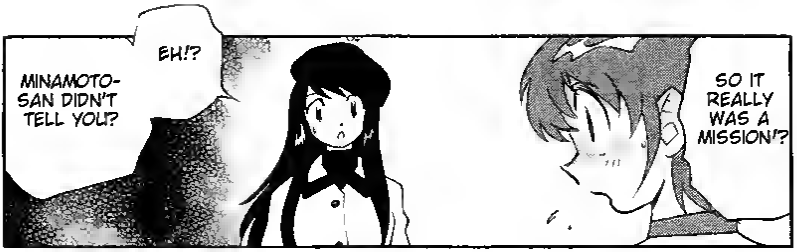
I SEE... THAT MEANS...!!
SAKAKI-SAN IS GETTING THEM RELAXED AND THEN STEALTHILY USING CLAIRVOY-ANCE...!!


AN ESPER IS...!?
NO WAY...!!


EH!?
MINAMOTO-SAN DIDN'T TELL YOU?
SO IT REALLY WAS A MISSION!?

THEY'RE SUCH IDIOTS...
MEN'S ROOM
... REALLY.

HA HA HA HA...!!
KILLING THEM WILL BE SIMPLE ENOUGH.
WELL, THANKS TO THAT...
TO TAKE THE STRONGEST ESPER OFF DUTY...
THEY'RE SO NAIVE.

3rd sense.
ハート・ブレイカー(3)
Heart Breaker (3)

TO THE DIVISION CHIEF'S PROMOTION TO OUR OKHOTSK BRANCH...
UMMM, WELL THEN...

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.....
CHEERS!!
HUH!?
UH...

NAOMI!
THIS IS ODD!!
EH...!?
SAKAKI-SAMA CALLED TO CANCEL...

WE DIDN'T GET A RESPONSE WHEN WE CALLED EITHER.
BOTH THE NORMAL AND EMERGENCY LINES AREN'T CONNECTING!
FOR BOTH MINAMOTO-KUN AND SAKAKI-KUN!

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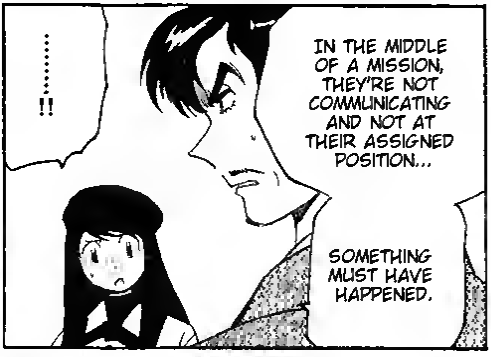
MINAMOTO-HAN'S IN TROUBLE!?
IF THEY RAN INTO TROUBLE WHILE SEARCHING FOR A SPY...


.....!!
IN THE MIDDLE OF A MISSION, THEY'RE NOT COMMUNICATING AND NOT AT THEIR ASSIGNED POSITION...
SOMETHING MUST HAVE HAPPENED.

WHY WOULDN'T HE LET US HELP...!!
THAT IDIOT...!!

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Paradiso

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ALL OF THE GUYS ARE USING CLAIRVOYANCE PROTECTORS.
THAT HAPPENS A LOT.
IF THEY KNOW OF OUR POWERS...

HOTARU,
HAVE YOU NOTICED?
.....

……!!
THEY DON'T NEED TO USE ONE
BUT IT'S WEIRD
IT'S FINE FOR MINAMOTO, BUT THE OTHER TWO ARE HIGH LEVEL ESPERS.

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……
…DID SOMETHING HAPPEN TO SAKAKI.

WHY IS HE JUST EATING!?
I SUCK AT BEING ENTERTAINING IN THIS KIND OF SITUATION.
BUT HE'S USUALLY QUICK TO LIVEN THINGS UP AND HAVE FUN.

I THOUGHT HE DIDN'T LIKE SPICY THINGS...?
COME TO THINK OF IT...
.....
!?
HEY, THANKS FOR WAITING!!
!!
NOW THAT I'VE GOT THE ENTERTAIN-MENT READY...
I THOUGHT I'D GIVE YOU ALL A SURPRISE!
6
MINAMOTO-SAN TURNED OFF HIS PROTECTOR?
.....
!?

EH...!?
THERE'S SOMETHING I NEED TO KNOW...
CAN YOU READ MY THOUGHTS?

I'M GONNA MAKE YOU ALL DISAPPEAR!!
YEAH, SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY ENTER-TAINMENT?
ARE YOU GONNA DO A MAGIC TRICK?

IN OTHER WORDS...
THIS SAKAKI IS A DOLL...!!
WHAT!?
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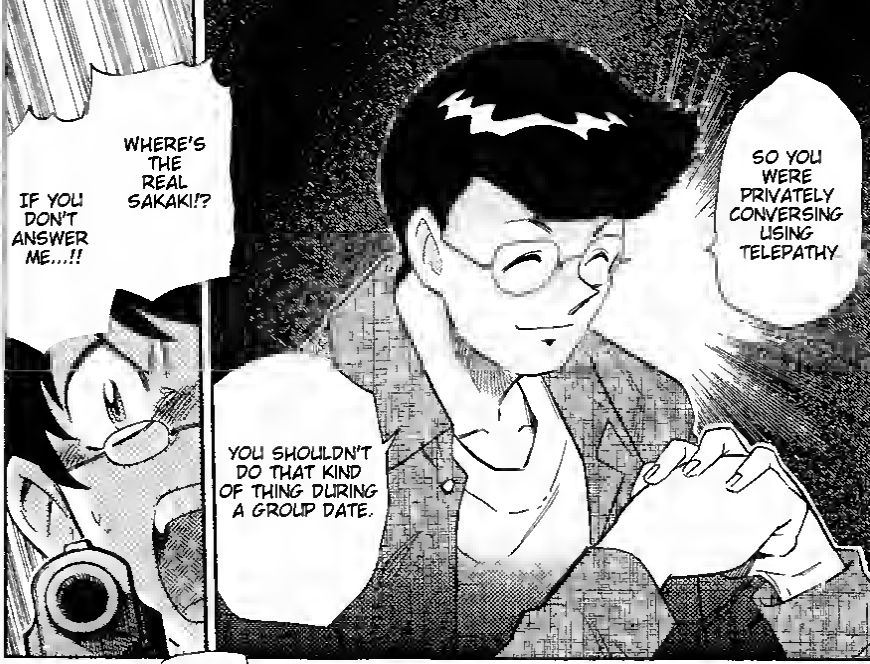
KUGUTSU!!
DON'T MOVE!!
……
WATCH OUT, MINAMOTO-SAN!!
YOU'RE THE TRAITOR, AREN'T YOU!?
THIS RESTAURANT...
IS FULL OF DOLLS!!


SO YOU WERE PRIVATELY CONVERSING USING TELEPATHY
WHERE'S THE REAL SAKAKI!?
IF YOU DON'T ANSWER ME...!!
YOU SHOULDN'T DO THAT KIND OF THING DURING A GROUP DATE.

I DON'T MIND.
BECAUSE I, TOO...
YOU'LL SHOOT?

!!
AM A DOLL!!

I WON'T LOSE TO A NORMAL AND TWO SUPER SENSING ESPERS..!!
AT ANY RATE..
U...!!

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HE HAS TO BE NEARBY!!
SHIT!!
WHERE'S THE REAL ONE... WHERE'S KUGUTSU!?
NO GOOD...!!
I CAN'T SENSE HIM HERE!!

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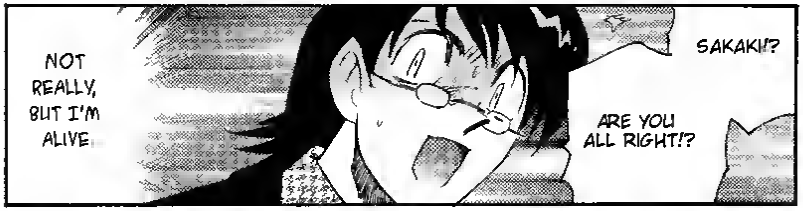
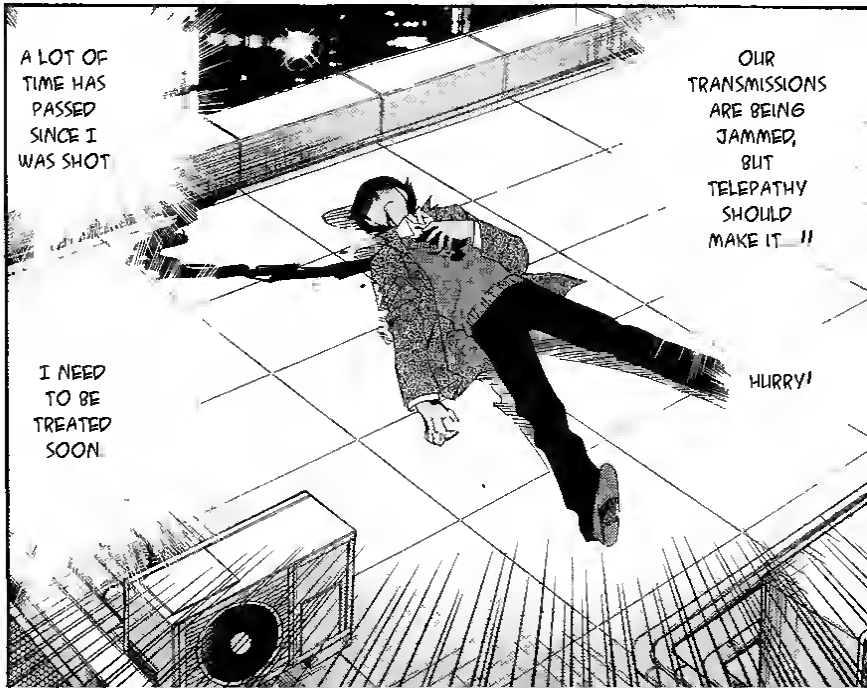
SAKAKI-SAN'S THOUGHT WAVE...!!
I'LL RELAY IT!
TELL MINAMOTO THAT...!!
CALL "THE CHILDREN"!!


NOT REALLY, BUT I'M ALIVE.
SAKAKI!?
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT!?


A LOT OF TIME HAS PASSED SINCE I WAS SHOT
I NEED TO BE TREATED SOON.
OUR TRANSMISSIONS ARE BEING JAMMED, BUT TELEPATHY SHOULD MAKE IT...!!
HURRY!

IF WE SPLIT UP AND SEARCH...
NO, WE SHOULD CALL HQ FOR REINFORCE-MENTS!
IF WE CAN'T COMMUNICATE, WE'LL HAVE TO TELEPORT...
!?
!!
FROM FAR AWAY...
WHAT IS IT!?
SOMEONE'S CALLING US.

I'VE USED IT ALL!
HOW'S YOUR AMMO!?
IS THE TELEPATHY GETTING THROUGH!?
IT'S FAINT, BUT...
I DON'T KNOW!
I FEEL LIKE I'M GETTING A FAINT RESPONSE, BUT...!!
THIS VOICE IS...!!

WELL...
.....
SINCE THIS IS A MISSION, WHY DIDN'T YOU BRING THEM WITH YOU!?
YOU'RE THEIR COMMANDER, AREN'T YOU!?

THIS JOB REQUIRES US TO DOUBT OUR COMRADES AND THEN ARREST ONE OF THEM...!!
AS THEIR GUARDIAN...
I DIDN'T WANT TO BRING KIDS ON THAT KIND OF MISSION...!!
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AREN'T WE ALWAYS TELLING YOU NOT TO TREAT US LIKE KIDS!?
BEFORE YOU GET INTO THAT GUARDIAN AND KID STUFF...
!!

.....YOU'RE RIGHT.
I WAS WRONG.
IF ONLY THEY WOULD THINK LIKE THAT INSTEAD OF BEING UNNECESS-ARILY SUSPICIOUS OF ME!!
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.....!!
SHOULDN'T YOU TRUST IN YOUR TEAMMATES!?

RELEASE!!
"THE CHILDREN"
<<解禁>>
LEVEL 7 AVAILABLE
FIGHT WITH ME!!
YES, SIR!!

4th sense.
ハート・ブレイカー(4)

Heart Breaker (4)

BECAUSE IT'S IMPORTANT.
WHY'D YOU SAY IT TWICE?

"THE CHILDREN"
YES, SIR!!
RELEASE!!

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BEHIND YOU!!
KAORU!!
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WHY YOU...!!
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!!
KAORU-CHAN!?

I FOUND SAKAKI-SAN!
COME WITH ME!!
THOSE WOMEN, TOO!
EH.
WITH-DRAW!!
OKAY!!
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!!

WHY ARE "THE CHILDREN" THERE!?
DAMN IT!
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LOOKS LIKE THAT'S AS MUCH AS I CAN DO.
GOODBYE, ALL YOU IDIOTS AT B.A.B.E.L.!!
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...HE'S GONE.
BUT FOR AN INSTANT I COULD CLEARLY SEE HIM.
HE'S ESCAPING IN A CAR...!!
SO I WAS RIGHT THAT YOU COULD TRACE HIS POSITION FROM THAT.
WHEN I SHOT IT, THAT HEAD ATTACHED TO OTHER BODIES.
THAT PART HAD THE STRONGEST CONNECTION TO HIM.

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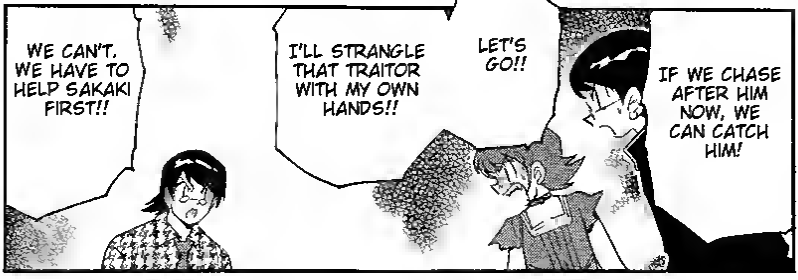
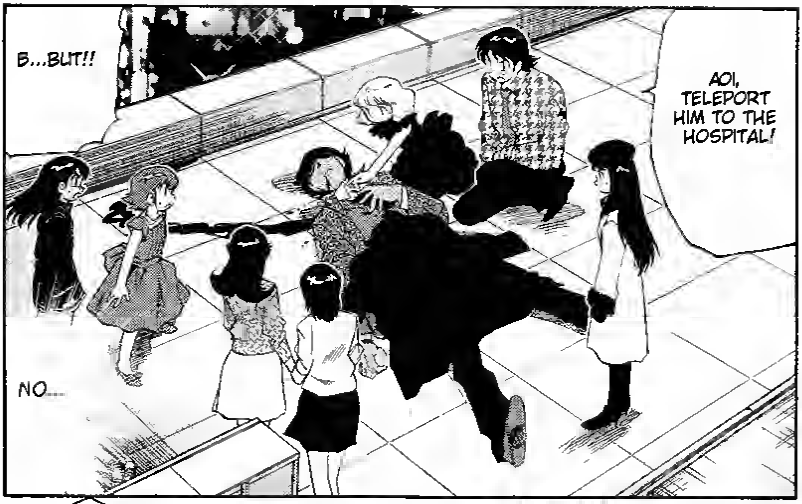

IF WE CHASE AFTER HIM NOW, WE CAN CATCH HIM!
LET'S GO!!
I'LL STRANGLE THAT TRAITOR WITH MY OWN HANDS!!
WE CAN'T. WE HAVE TO HELP SAKAKI FIRST!!


B...BUT!!
AOI, TELEPORT HIM TO THE HOSPITAL!
NO...

YEAH.
IT'S A SYNTHETIC POWER USING A TYPE OF PSYCHO-KINESIS, ISN'T IT?
IT'S NOT VERY STRONG, BUT YOU KNOW ABOUT MY HIDDEN TALENT OTHER THAN PSYCHOMETRY, RIGHT?

SAKAKI!?
YOUR TEAM NEEDS TO GO AFTER KUGUTSU!
BUT...

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THAT'S HOW I'M STILL ALIVE.
I'VE BEEN KEEPING PRESSURE ON WHERE I'M BLEEDING TO STAY ALIVE.
I CAN CONTROL MY OR SOMEONE ELSE'S BIOLOGICAL FUNCTIONS TO A CERTAIN EXTENT.

THAT'S WHY WE NEED TO GET YOU...
IT WOULD BE BAD TO MOVE ME NOW.
ONE OF THE BULLETS HAS SUNKEN INTO A BLOOD VESSEL OF MY HEART.
IF IT TEARS, EVEN I'LL DIE INSTANTLY
!!
US...!?
YOU NEED TO TREAT ME HERE.
IF YOU THREE HELP, IT CAN WORK
CAPTURE KUGUTSU.
"THE CHILDREN" ARE THE ONLY ONES WHO CAN PURSUE HIM.
SINCE COMMUNI-CATIONS WITH HQ ARE DOWN...
8
DOESN'T IT SEEM LIKE THERE'S MORE TO THIS?
.....!!
HE EVEN TRIED TO KILL ALL OF US WITHOUT SAYING A THING...
WHY WOULD AN ESPER SELL OUT OTHER ESPERS?

HEEEY!!
IT'S ME!!
I WANT OUT OF HERE! COME PICK ME UP!!
SO YOUR COMRADES PROMISED TO PICK YOU UP?
!!
H...
HUH?

WE CAN WAIT FOR THEM TOGETHER!
PERFECT.

FINE, I WANTED TO FIGHT FOR REAL AT LEAST ONCE.
HMPH.
MINA-MOTO...
AND THOSE BRATS!!

WITH THE 1/1 SCALE
MASTER GRADE MOGA-CHAN I MADE!!
ARE...
ARE YOU MOCKING US!?

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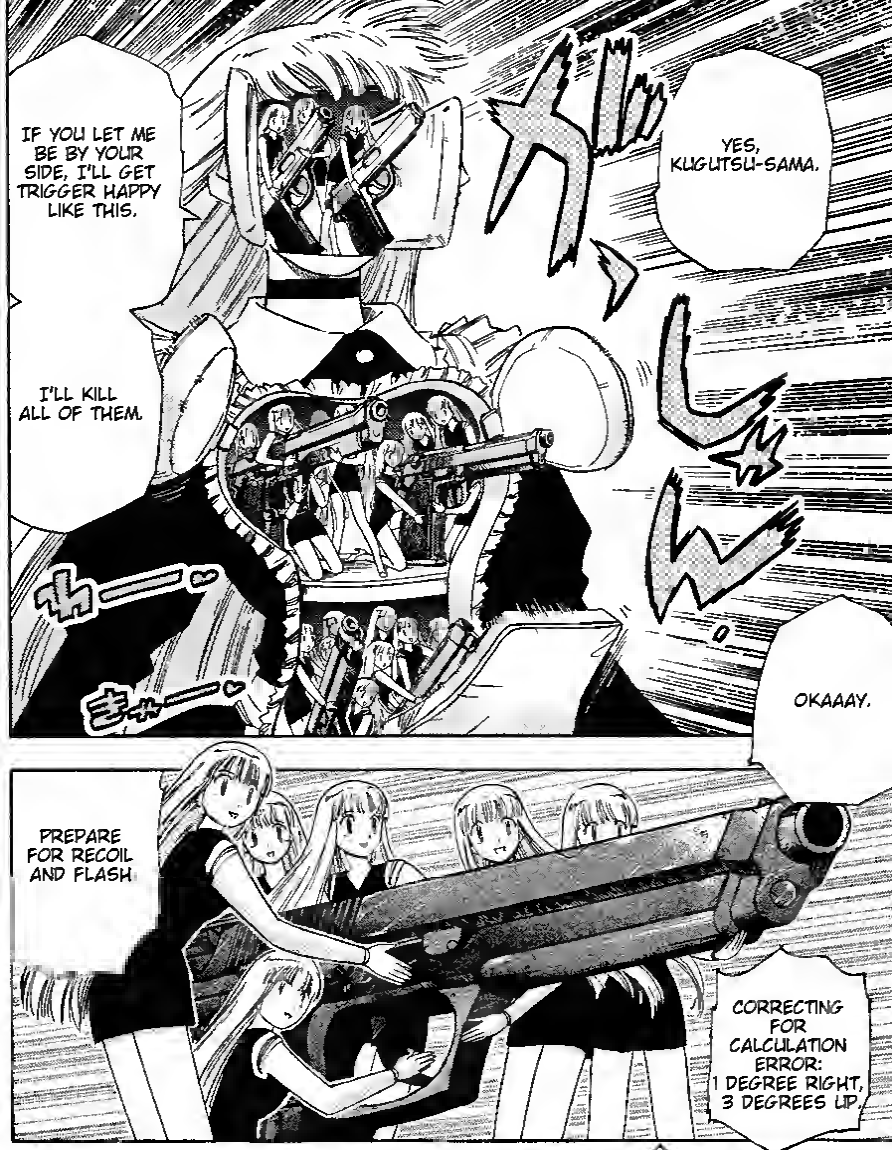
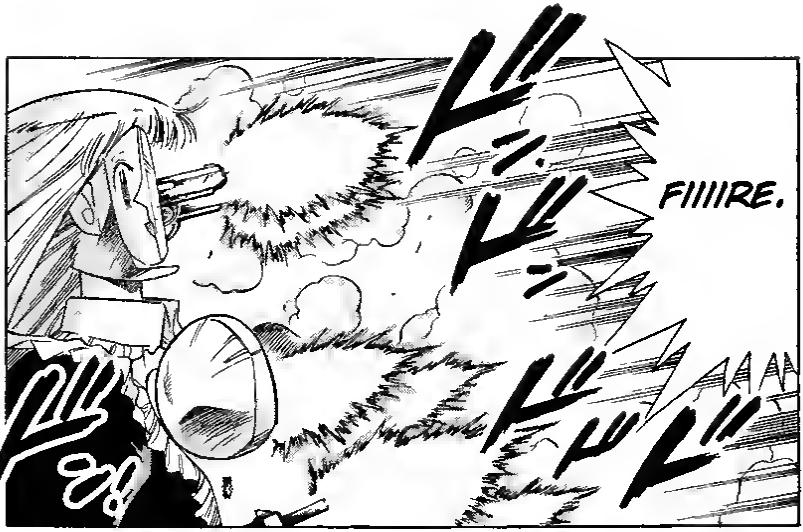
!!
SMALL DIRECTIONAL ECMS!?
THEY NEUTRALIZE ONLY THE ATTACK!?
SHE'S FULL OF GIMMICKS.
I'VE PACKED HER FULL OF MY LOVE.
HAVEN'T I, MOGA-CHAN.


IF YOU LET ME BE BY YOUR SIDE, I'LL GET TRIGGER HAPPY LIKE THIS.
I'LL KILL ALL OF THEM.
YES, KUGUTSU-SAMA.
OKAAAY.
PREPARE FOR RECOIL AND FLASH.
CORRECTING FOR CALCULATION ERROR: 1 DEGREE RIGHT, 3 DEGREES UP.

THIS IS WHAT OBSESSED PEOPLE MAKE...!?
THE HELL!?
U...UGEH!!


FIIIIRE.

I'M TRANSFERRING THE IMAGE TO NAOMI-CHAN!
I'VE FOUND THE BULLET...!!

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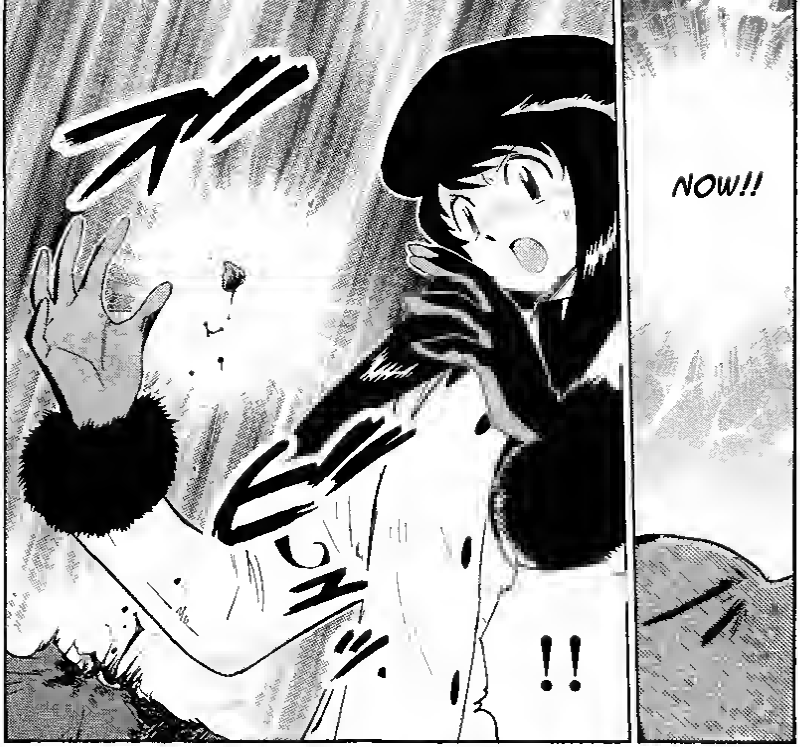
I'LL DO IT...!!
IF PRESSURE SUDDENLY LETS OFF THE BLOOD VESSEL, IT'LL RUPTURE, SO KEEP PUTTING PRESSURE ON IT!
USE PSYCHOKINESIS TO TAKE THE BULLET OUT THE HOLE THROUGH WHICH IT ENTERED
ON MY SIGNAL, I'LL STOP MY HEART FOR 2 SECONDS


NOW!!
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ESPERS CAN DO AMAZING THINGS WHEN THEY WORK TOGETHER
THIS GOES TO SHOW THAT...
YOU'VE SAVED ME...!!

GOT IT!
BE CAREFUL...!!
I'LL TAKE HIM TO THE HOSPITAL LIKE THIS!
STAY HERE UNTIL SUPERVISOR TANIZAKI COMES WITH REINFORCEMENTS FROM HQ!

NOTHING
WHAT...?
UNITY...

MAYBE THERE ARE PEOPLE ON THE ESPER SIDE WHO WANT TO FIGHT AGAINST THE NORMALS.
I WAS WONDER-ING...

!?
JUST THE PSYCHO-KINETIC!?
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ン!!

SINCE YOU HAVE POWERS TOO...
AOI TELEPORTED WHEN THE ATTACK HIT.
THERE MUST BE A DEAD SPOT FOR THE ECM BEHIND THE DOLL.
FWO
DEAL WITH THE TELEPORTER FIRST!!
MOGA, CANCEL GUN MODE!!

WE LEFT KAORU BEHIND SO THAT IN THIS MOMENT SHE COULD BE MOVED TO THE GREATEST DEAD SPOT OF ALL.
IT'S NO USE.
WHAT'S WRONG!?
.....
MOGA!?

INSIDE THE DOLL!!
WHA...

WHAAA AAAAT!?
"THE CHILDREN"...
AREN'T ABOUT TO LOSE TO THIS DOLL!!

5th sense.

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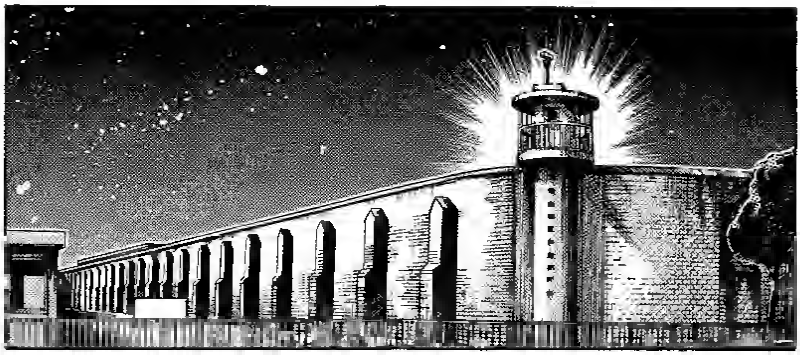

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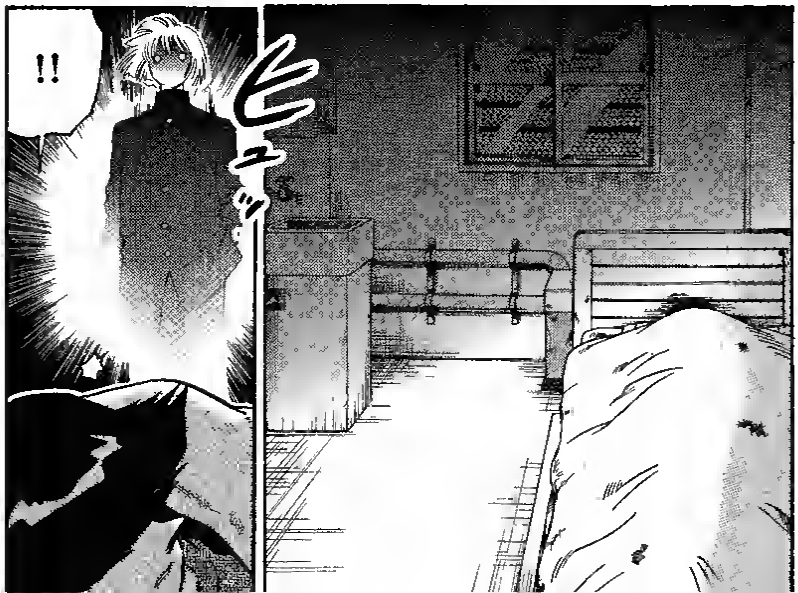
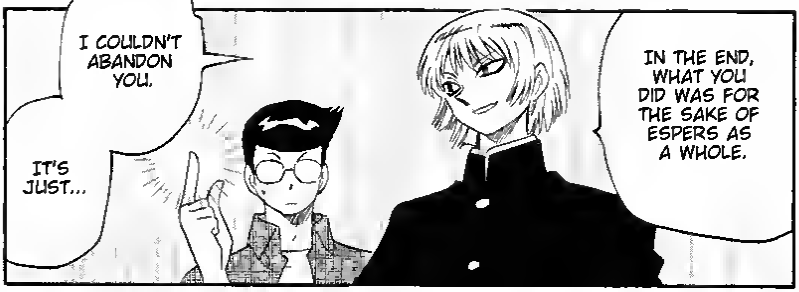


THIS IS A PRETTY NICE ROOM, ISN'T IT?
HEY.
SORRY I'M LATE.
MA... MAJOR HYOUBU!!
STOP IT.
YOU'LL GET SNOT ON ME!
I KNEW YOU'D COME FOR ME!!


I COULDN'T ABANDON YOU.
IT'S JUST...
IN THE END, WHAT YOU DID WAS FOR THE SAKE OF ESPERS AS A WHOLE.

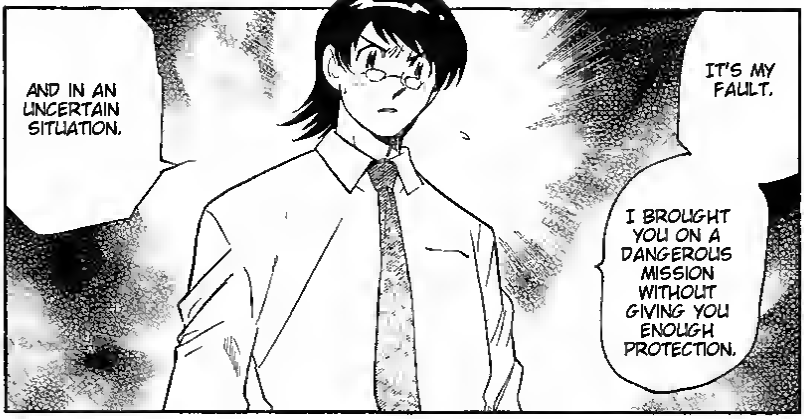
AND THANKS TO THAT, I'VE COME UP WITH ANOTHER FUN GAME.
HE'S THE KEY...

I DIDN'T THINK "THE CHILDREN" WOULD PICK A FIGHT WITH YOU
I WAS WATCHING OVER YOU THE ENTIRE TIME

THIS IS GONNA BE FUN...!!
I'LL SHOW YOU THAT YOU DON'T HAVE THE POWER...
WELCOME BACK.
...BOSS!
TO CHANGE THE FUTURE!

KUGUTSU...
DISAPPEAR-ED!?

DON'T OVERDO IT!
OW...!!
DIDN'T WE STRENGTHEN THE PRISON'S ECM!?
THAT BASTARD. I WAS PLANNING ON PERSONALLY READING HIM...
YOUR BIOLOGICAL CONTROL ISN'T LIKE YOUR PSYCHOMETRY. IT'S IMPERFECT AND UNSTABLE.


IT'S MY FAULT.
I BROUGHT YOU ON A DANGEROUS MISSION WITHOUT GIVING YOU ENOUGH PROTECTION.
AND IN AN UNCERTAIN SITUATION.

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DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
YOU DID QUITE WELL FOR A NORMAL.
AND THIS IS...
A PROBLEM THAT US ESPERS...
CAN'T JUST IGNORE.
!

WE...
NO, THIS ISN'T JUST A PROBLEM FOR ESPERS...!!
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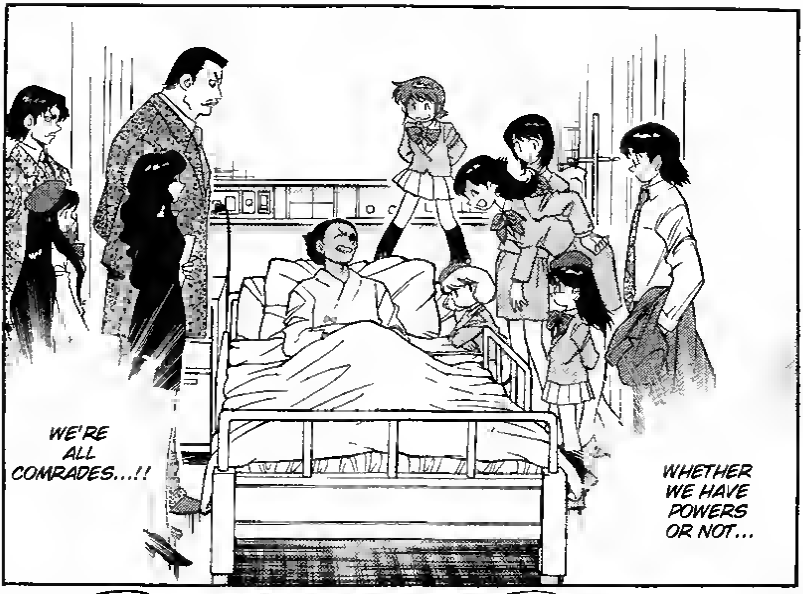
IS DOCTOR SAKAKI ALIVE?
HEY!!
WE CAME TO VISIT HIM. ♡

YO.
SO YOU'VE COME, LITTLE ONES!!
HERE ARE YOUR PROVISIONS!!
I'VE GOT SOME HALF-EATEN CHOCOLATE.
WELL, I BROUGHT THIS MELON...

HELLO.
DON'T TOUCH NAOMI!!
IF YOU READ HER MIND, I'LL KILL YOU!!
OH MY.

OH.
IT LOOKS LIKE YOUR WOUND HAS HEALED.
YOU SEEM TO BE DOING WELL.
EVERYONE HAD THE SAME IDEA!?


WE'RE ALL COMRADES...!!
WHETHER WE HAVE POWERS OR NOT...

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THIS IS WHY WE HAVE A TELEPATH...!!
COULD YOU PLEASE NOT HIT ON OUR SUPERVISOR WITHOUT PERMISSION?
BY THE WAY MY E-MAIL ADDRESS IS...
!

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MINA-MOTO-SAN.
THANK YOU,

AND KIND.
YOU'RE VERY REASSUR-ING

EH,
I WASN'T REALLY...
HOTARU!?
DIDN'T WE AGREE NOT TO TAKE UNFAIR ADVANTAGES!?
WHAT!?
KH.
DO THEY ALWAYS GO AFTER MINAMOTO!?
THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH IT.
キー!!
YOU'RE ALWAYS DOING THIS!!
SPIT IT OUT!! WHAT KIND OF DIRTY THINGS WERE YOU TALKING ABOUT!!
MINAMOTO-HAN'S IMPURE!!
COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM THE MIDDLE AGED MAN I HAVE.
MINAMOTO-SAN SURE IS POPULAR...
GH!!
GAH!!
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THIS CERTAINLY IS A STRAINED ATMOSPHERE.
AREN'T WE COMRADES!?
WHAT'S GOING ON!?

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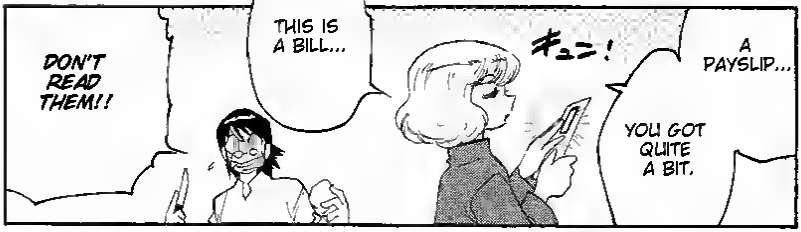
USE YOUR HANDS!!
ドカカカ
DON'T WANNA!
THE ONION'LL GET IN MY EYES!
ISN'T THIS A BROILER!!
COULDN'T YOU GET BETTER MEAT!!
キュー..!!
WE DON'T LIVE IN LUXURY!!

I'M BACK!!
I GOT CURRY POWDER, PARMESAN CHEESE, AND LEEKS!
AND I GOT THE MAIL!
SOKS
HM...
NO...


DON'T READ THEM!!
THIS IS A BILL...
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A PAYSLIP...
YOU GOT QUITE A BIT.

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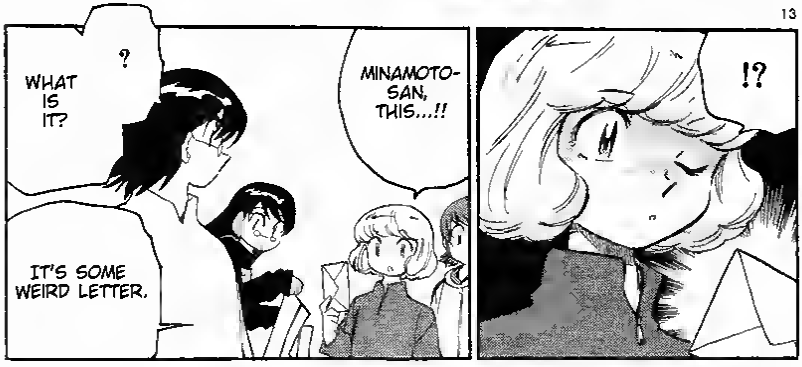
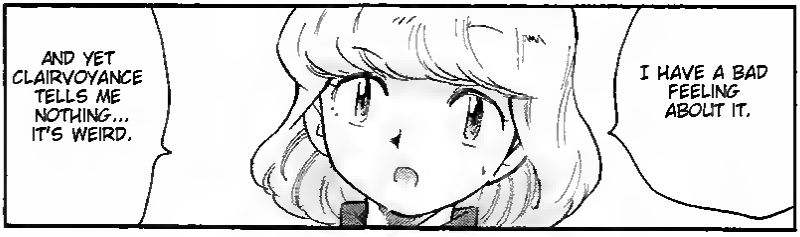
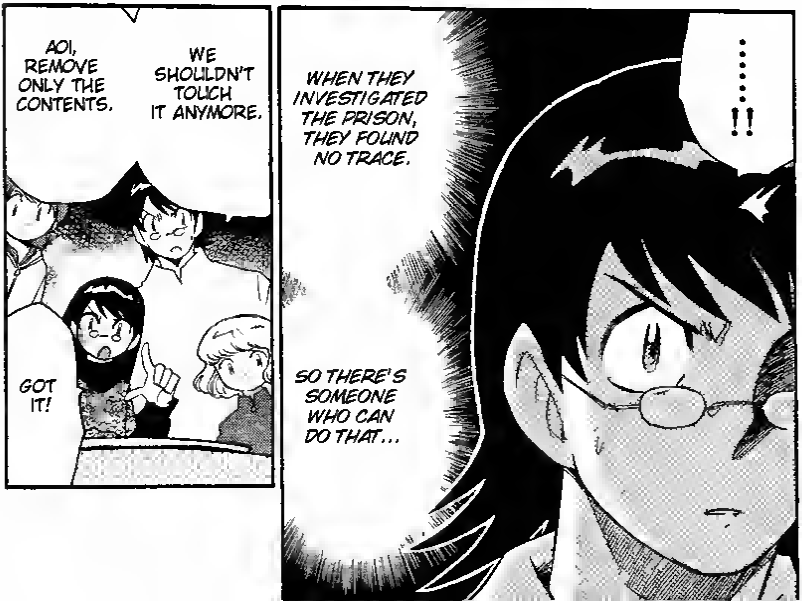

WHAT IS IT?
?
IT'S SOME WEIRD LETTER.
MINAMOTO-SAN, THIS...!!
!?

NOTHING ON THE SENDER...?
DID THEY SEND IT DIRECTLY BY SOME MECHANICAL MEANS...?
IT ONLY HAS A SINGLE PHOTOGRAPH INSIDE.
I CAN'T SEE IT VERY WELL AND I CAN'T SENSE ANYTHING ELSE.

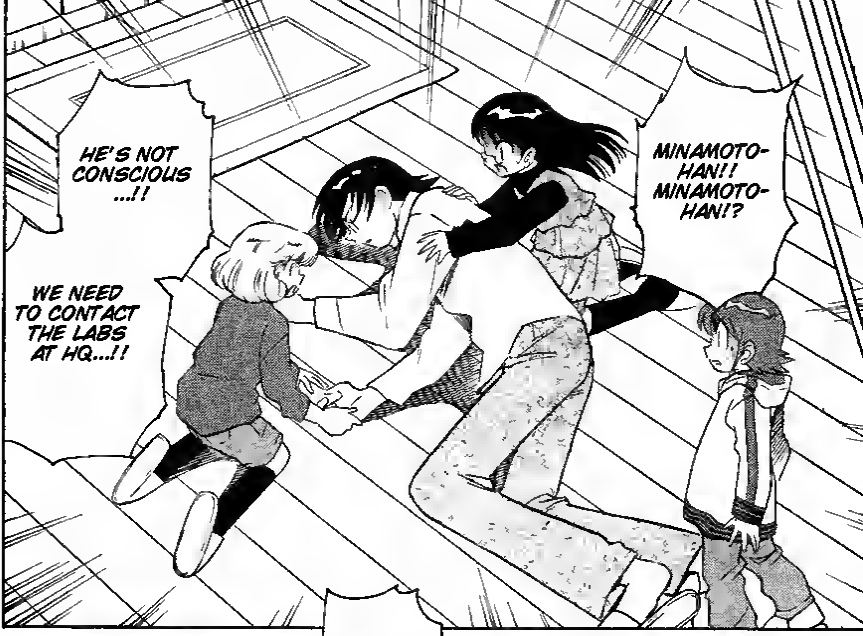

AND YET CLAIRVOYANCE TELLS ME NOTHING... IT'S WEIRD.
I HAVE A BAD FEELING ABOUT IT.


AOI, REMOVE ONLY THE CONTENTS.
WE SHOULDN'T TOUCH IT ANYMORE.
GOT IT!
WHEN THEY INVESTIGATED THE PRISON, THEY FOUND NO TRACE.
SO THERE'S SOMEONE WHO CAN DO THAT...
.....!!

WHAT'S WITH THE OUT OF FOCUS PHOTO?
!?
I FEEL LIKE I'VE SEEN THIS BE-
.....
WHAT...?
!!

MINA...
WHAT'S WRONG?
...MOTO?
16
EH!?
ARE YOU NOT FEELING WELL?
N...NO.
HUH!?

YOU MIGHT HAVE A COLD.
WE SHOULD HURRY BACK.
Y...YEAH.
WE SHOULD.


HE'S NOT CONSCIOUS ...!!
WE NEED TO CONTACT THE LABS AT HQ...!!
MINAMOTO-HAN!! MINAMOTO-HAN!?

MI... MINA-MOTO...!?
PANDRA
GOT HIM!!
NOW IT'S SHOWTIME...!!

6th sense. サイコ・ダイバーズ(2)

Minamoto continued to sleep for an entire week.

6 th sense.
サイコ・ダイバーズ(2)
Psycho Divers (2)

WELL, SIMPLY PUT, HE'S HAVING A GOOD DREAM.
HE ALWAYS STARTS OFF LIKE THAT WHEN HE ENTERS REM SLEEP.
HIS A-10 NERVE IS CAUSING IT...
AH...!!
AND 10 MINUTES LATER, HE ALWAYS...
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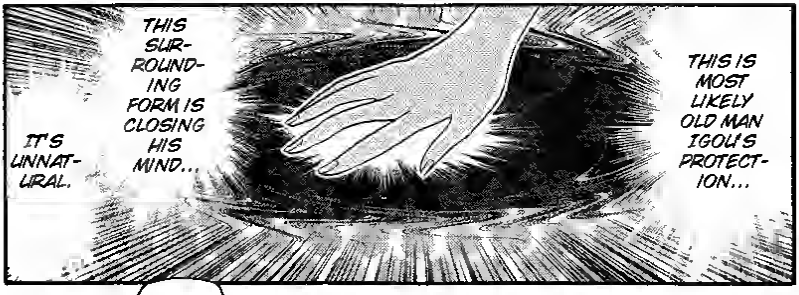
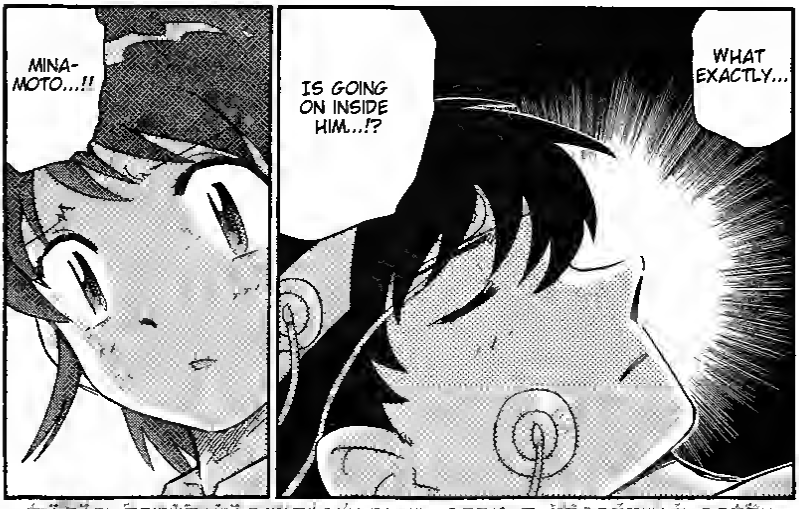
IT APPEARS TO TURN INTO A NIGHTMARE.
IT REPEATS LIKE THIS EVERY TIME.
AH!!
ULUH...!!

...I DON'T KNOW.
SO, WHAT'S HE DREAMING ABOUT?

SHOULDN'T YOU OF ALL PEOPLE BE ABLE TO GET IN?
...AREN'T THERE OCCASIONAL GAPS?
THERE'S A WALL KEEPING ME OUT.
NO GOOD, THERE'S MORE PROTECTION FURTHER IN...





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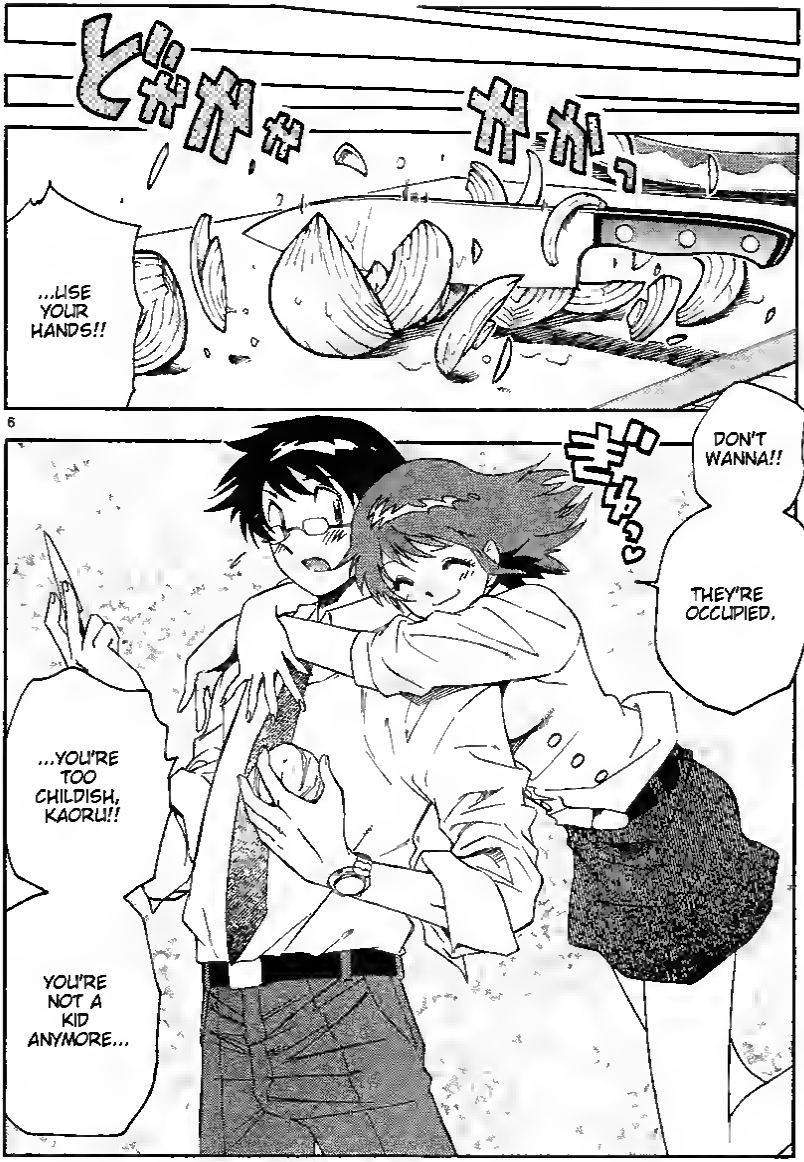
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...USE YOUR HANDS!!
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DON'T WANNA!!
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THEY'RE OCCUPIED.
...YOU'RE TOO CHILDISH, KAORU!!
YOU'RE NOT A KID ANYMORE...

THAT'S RIGHT.
.....
.....?
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KAORU...
WHEN I WAS A KID... ALL I WANTED TO DO WAS GROW UP.
BUT NOW...
I WANT TO GO BACK TO THAT TIME.
IT'S WEIRD.

I HAVE TO GO NOW.
THE TRUTH IS...
STAY HERE...!!
...DON'T GO!!
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BUT WE DON'T...
THE FIGHTING IS STARTING SOON, RIGHT!?
...I KNOW IT ALL.

...I'M SORRY,
MINAMOTO...

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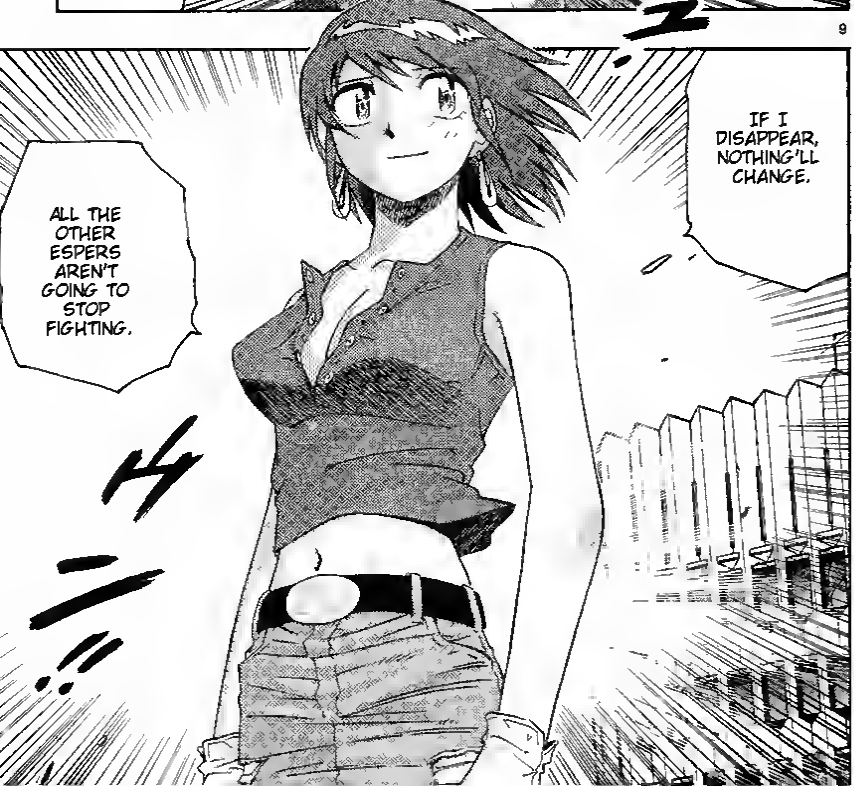
IF I DISAPPEAR, NOTHING'LL CHANGE.
ALL THE OTHER ESPERS AREN'T GOING TO STOP FIGHTING.
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QUEEN OF CATAS-TROPHE...!?
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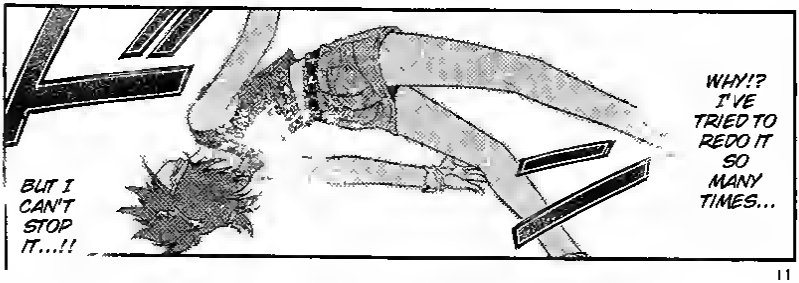
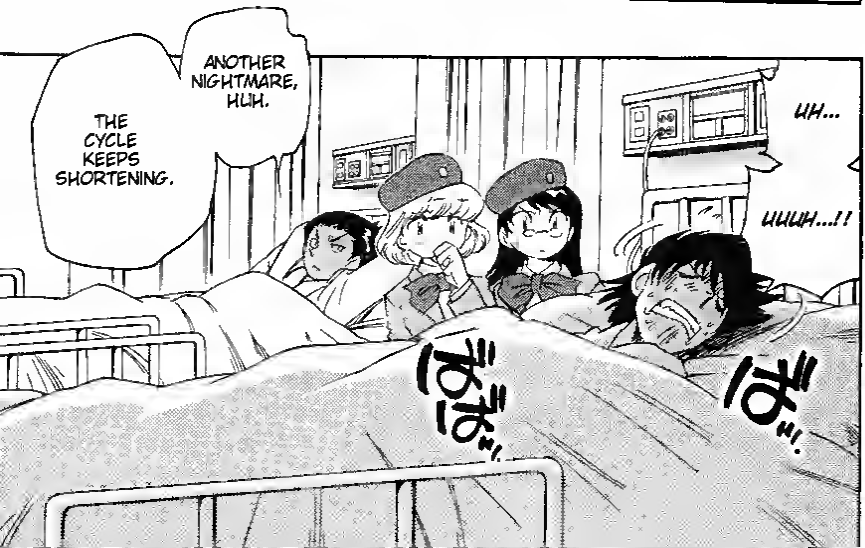
AGAIN...!?
MINA-MOTO, DID YOU KNOW?
HOW MANY TIMES HAVE I GONE THROUGH THIS SCENE!?
THEN... STOP THEM!!

KAORU!!
STOP!!


WHY!? I'VE TRIED TO REDO IT SO MANY TIMES...
BUT I CAN'T STOP IT...!!


ANOTHER NIGHTMARE, HUH.
THE CYCLE KEEPS SHORTENING.
UH...
UUUH...!!
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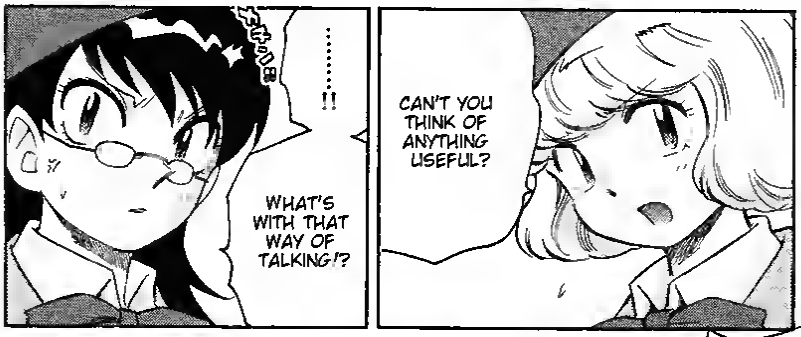
IT'S A PRETTY GOOD EXAMPLE OF CIRCUITOUS-NESS.
SO WHAT SHOULD WE DO?
HE'S ACTING LIKE KAORU WHEN WE'RE WATCHING TV AND IT GOES TO BREAKING NEWS DURING THE LOVE SCENE.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……!!
WHAT'S WITH THAT WAY OF TALKING!?
CAN'T YOU THINK OF ANYTHING USEFUL?

HEY...!?
ARE YOU SAYING THIS IS MY FAULT!?
YOU'RE THE PSYCHOMETER. IF YOU CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING...
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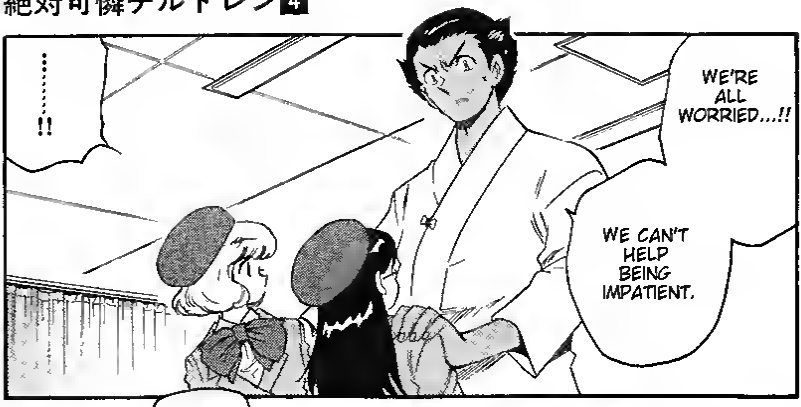
WE'RE ALL WORRIED...!!
WE CAN'T HELP BEING IMPATIENT.
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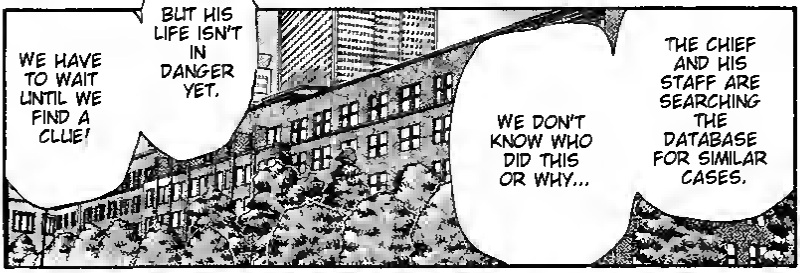
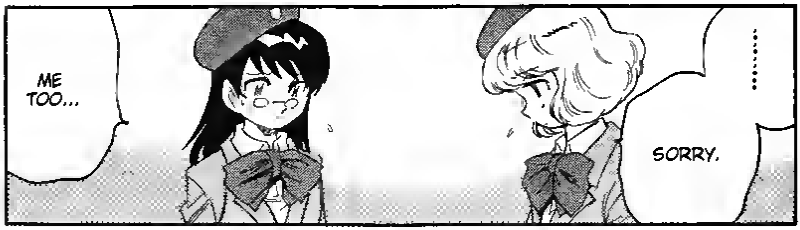

THE CHIEF AND HIS STAFF ARE SEARCHING THE DATABASE FOR SIMILAR CASES.
WE DON'T KNOW WHO DID THIS OR WHY...
BUT HIS LIFE ISN'T IN DANGER YET.
WE HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL WE FIND A CLUE!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SORRY.
ME TOO...

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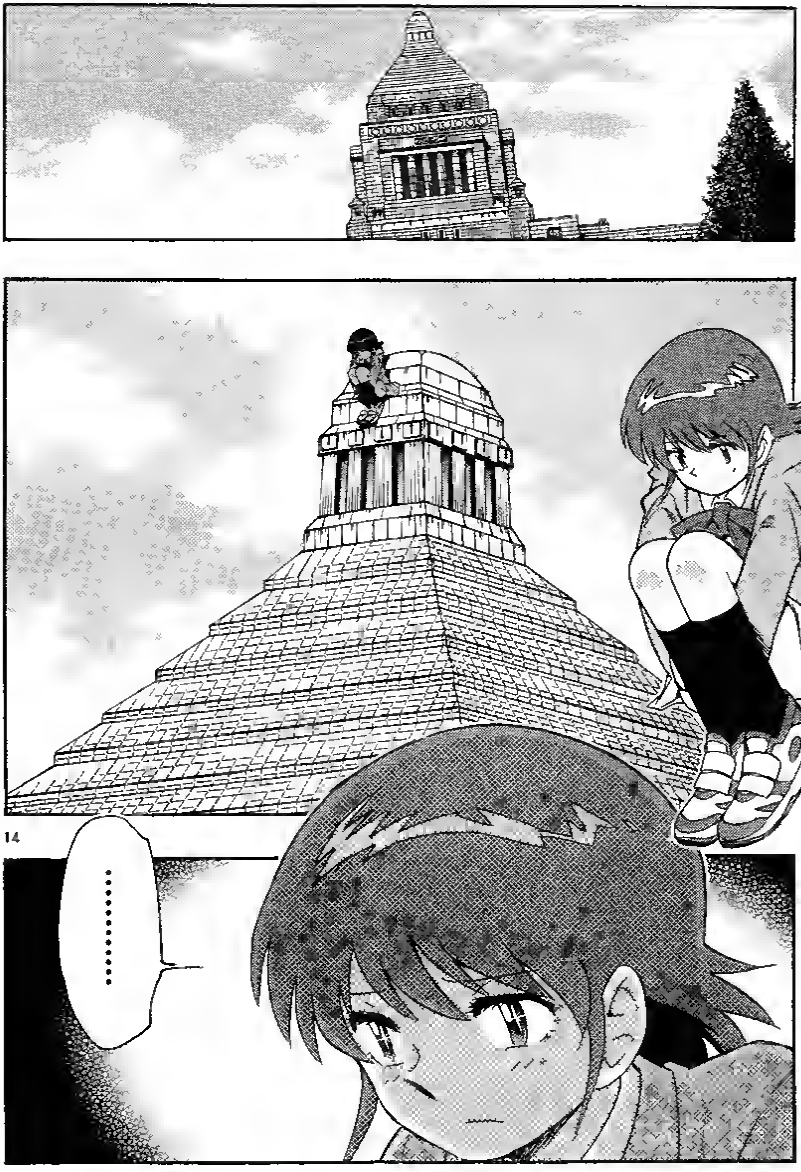
COME TO THINK OF IT...
WHERE'S KAORU-CHAN?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QUEEN.
...CHEER UP.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT I SHOULD DO WHEN YOU LOOK LIKE THAT.
HYOUBU-SAN...!!
DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING!?
MINAMOTO IS MY ENEMY.
IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE.
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AND IF I DO?
BUT I DON'T WANT TO SEE YOU THIS SAD.

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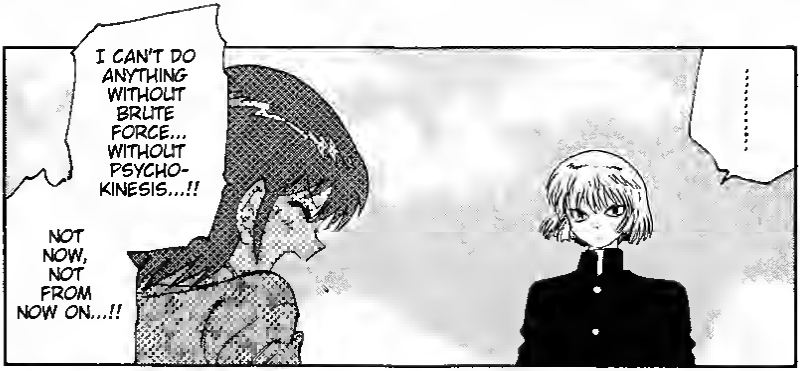
PLEASE...!!
WAKE MINAMOTO UP...!!


I CAN'T DO ANYTHING WITHOUT BRUTE FORCE... WITHOUT PSYCHO-KINESIS...!!
NOT NOW, NOT FROM NOW ON...!!
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BUT NOW, RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME, HE...!!
MINAMOTO'S ALWAYS ANNOYING AND COMPLAINING...
HE'S LIMP, HIS EYES ARE CLOSED...
AND I...

I DON'T WANT THIS...!!
BUT...!!

I...
EVEN THOUGH I CAN DEFLECT A MISSILE...
I CAN'T DO ANYTHING ...!!
.....
ORIGINALLY, THAT DREAM...
WAS MADE IN ORDER TO FIND THE SOURCE OF A PREDICTION, FIND IT'S PROBABILITY... AND FIND IT'S EXIT.
LEAVE B.A.B.E.L. AND COME WITH ME, QUEEN.
!!
WHETHER IN A DREAM OR IN REALITY...
THAT IS THE ONLY EXIT...!!
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AH, HE'S HAPPY AGAIN.

7th sense: サイコ・ダイバーズ(3)

Psycho Divers (3)

LEAVE B.A.B.E.L. AND COME WITH ME, QUEEN.
WHETHER IN A DREAM OR IN REALITY...
THAT IS THE ONLY EXIT...!!
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YOU...
DAMN OLD MAN!!
WHY ARE YOU HERE...
KIRITSUBO-KUN?
ガシ?
A...AO!!! SHIHO!!
SO YOU'RE THE ONE BEHIND THIS...
MAJOR HYOUBU!!

THAT'S UNFORGIVABLE, YOU BASTARD!!
YOU'RE USING MINAMOTO AS A HOSTAGE TO WIN OVER KAORU...!?
!!
TCH.
HMPH!!
WAA AAA AH!!

I WON'T!! I DEFINITELY WON'T!!
I'LL LET YOU GET AWAY WITH THIS!!
じぃ〜
THINK...
DO YOU...
GET OUT OF MY WAAAY!!
DAMN TERRORIST!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!!
!
WE'LL CONTINUE THIS DISCUSSION LATER...
QUEEN...
YOU WON'T GET AWAY!!
DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE US!!

...NICELY DONE.
AS EXPECTED OF THE "LIGHTSPEED GODDESS".
!!
FIX MINAMOTO-HAN!!
WHAT'RE YOU PRATTLING ON ABOUT!?

THA...
THAT'S GOING TOO FAR...
YOU HELP TOO, KAORU!!!
HE'S NOT THE TYPE TO BITE THE BULLET FROM THAT.
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EXACTLY RIGHT, GODDESS.
AS YOU ARE, YOU STILL...

CAN'T DEFEAT ME.

AOI!!!

AOI-CHAN!!
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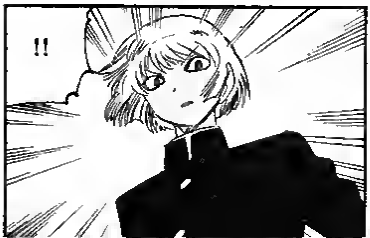
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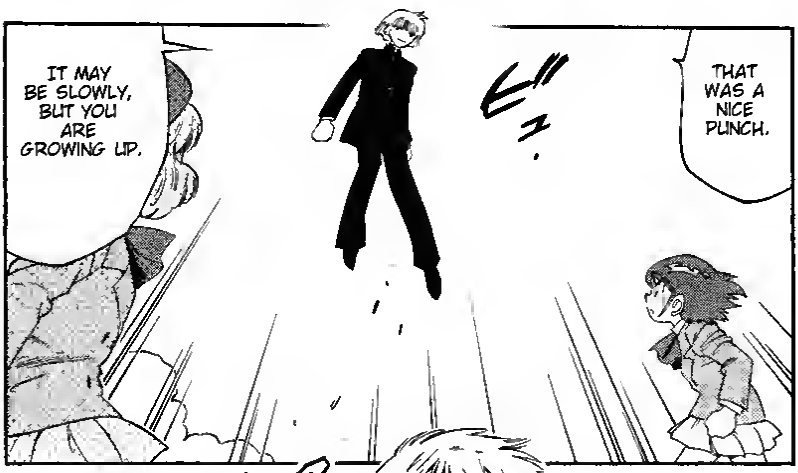
TO MY COMRADES!!
YOU CAN'T DO THAT...

IF YOU'RE GOING TO MESS WITH MINAMOTO AND AOI...!!
TRUE ENOUGH.
MY BAD.
IT SEEMS I GOT A BIT HASTY IN MY ACTIONS.


THAT WAS A NICE PUNCH.
IT MAY BE SLOWLY, BUT YOU ARE GROWING UP.

AS AN APOLOGY FOR ANGERING YOU...
I'LL GIVE YOU THIS.
YOU OF ALL PEOPLE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET INTO HIS DREAM.

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A PHOTO...!!
IT'S THE SAME AS THE ONE SENT TO MINAMOTO-SAN!?
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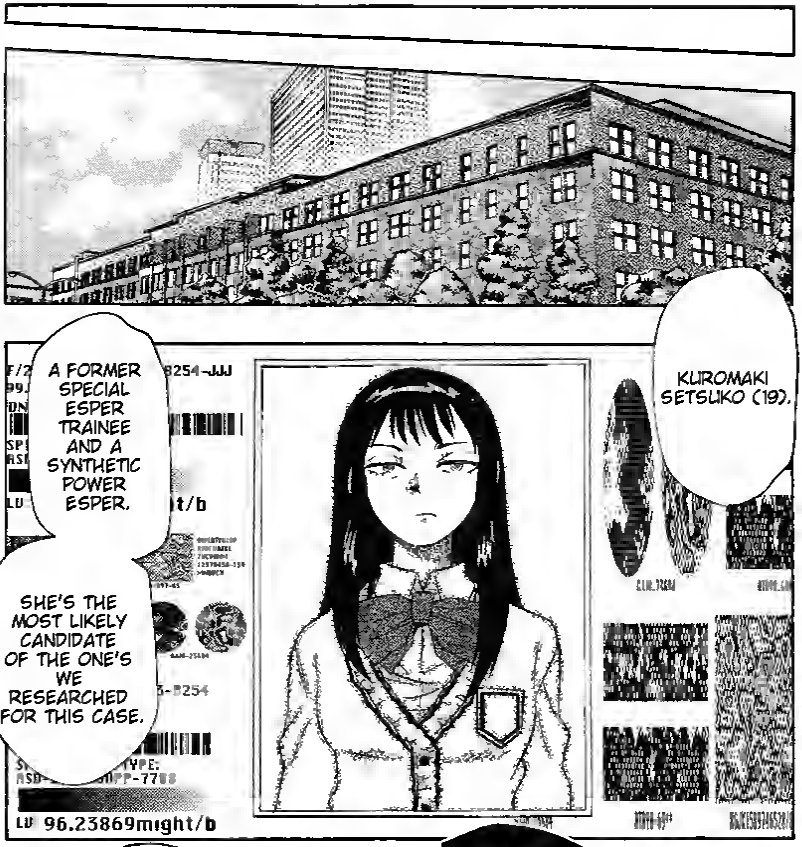
GROW UP QUICKLY,
QUEEN !!
!!


KUROMAKI SETSUKO (19).
A FORMER SPECIAL ESPER TRAINEE AND A SYNTHETIC POWER ESPER.
SHE'S THE MOST LIKELY CANDIDATE OF THE ONE'S WE RESEARCHED FOR THIS CASE.
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HER CODENAME IS "DREAM MAKER".
AS HER NAME SUGGESTS, HER POWER LETS HER MANIPULATE DREAMS...
WE SHOULD ASSUME THAT SHE'S THE ONE BEHIND THIS.

THE HUMAN BRAIN HAS A HUGE CALCULATION ABILITY COMPLETELY SEPARATE FROM CONSCIOUSNESS.
SHE USES THAT TO CREATE A CERTAIN IMAGINED REALITY.
CONSTRUCTING A WORLD...?
BUT MORE THAN CALLING THEM DREAMS, IN HER CASE...
CONSTRUCTING A SINGLE WORLD WITHIN HER OPPONENTS MIND MIGHT BE A BETTER WAY TO PUT IT.
SIMPLY PUT, SHE PLANTS A SIMULATOR IN THE MIND OF OTHERS.
ONCE SHE PUTS IT THERE, HER OPPONENT WILL CONTINUE IT ON HIS OWN. SHE DOESN'T NEED TO CONTINUE USING TELEPATHY.
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ORIGINALLY, THAT DREAM...
WAS MADE IN ORDER TO FIND THE SOURCE OF A PREDICTION, FIND IT'S PROBABILITY... AND FIND IT'S EXIT.
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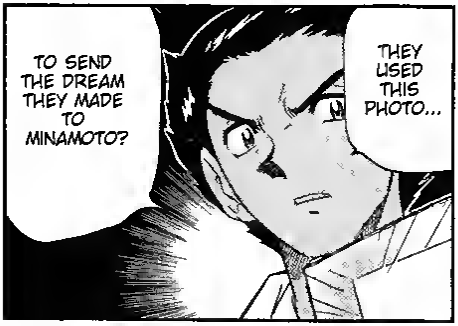
I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE JOINED UP WITH HYOUBU AFTER THAT...!!
ALL OF B.A.B.E.L.'S JOBS SUCK.
JUST FIRE ME.
I JUST WANNA USE MY POWERS FOR WHATEVER I WANT TO DO.

BUT WE THINK IT WAS MADE WITH THOUGHTO-GRAPHY.
WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE IMAGE MEANS,
SO, WHAT ABOUT HIS PHOTO?


TO SEND THE DREAM THEY MADE TO MINAMOTO?
THEY USED THIS PHOTO...

THAT SEEMS TO BE THE SPECIAL ABILITY OF EITHER THE MAJOR OR ONE OF HIS MEN.
IT HAS SOME KIND OF PROTECTION ON IT AS OUR ESP INVESTIGATIONS HAVE REVEALED NOTHING.
IN OTHER WORDS...

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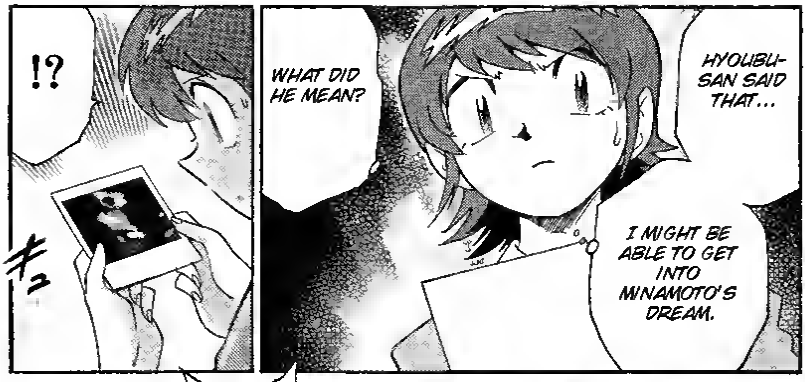
WE SAW IT TOO...
BUT WHY ONLY MINAMOTO-SAN?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WHAT DID HE MEAN?
HYOUBU-SAN SAID THAT...
I MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET INTO MINAMOTO'S DREAM.

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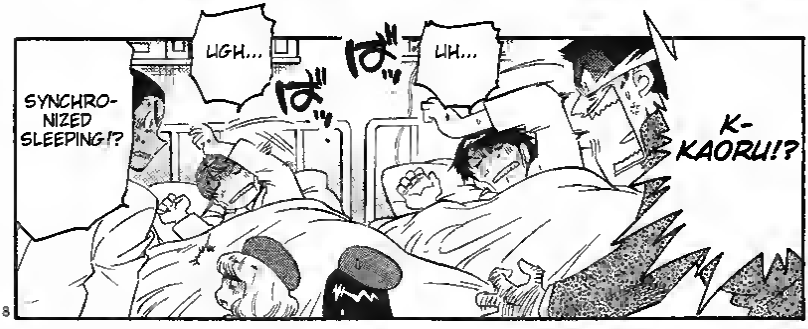
THIS PHOTO IS OF...

KAO...
16
.....!!

OH... OOHHHH!?
I'M... AN ADULT!?
DON'T MOVE!!
WHAT WAS I DOING A SECOND AGO?
JUST A SECOND AGO...
I DON'T BELIEVE IT...!!
WAIT?

QUEEN OF CATASTROPHE... NO,
KAORU!!
....EH!?


UGH...
UH...
SYNCHRO-NIZED SLEEPING!?
K-KAORU!?

Psycho Divers (4)

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SHOOT ME, MINAMOTO.
!!
IF YOU SHOOT ME WITH THE BLASTER AT THIS RANGE...
IT WILL KILL ME.

BUT...
IF I LET YOU LEAVE LIKE THIS...!!
I DON'T WANT TO SHOOT YOU, KAORU!!
DO I NOT HAVE THE POWER TO CHANGE THE FUTURE...!?
IS THERE NO WAY TO LEAVE THIS NIGHTMARE!?
MINA-MOTO...
!
AOI!?
CAN YOU HEAR ME!?
KAORU!!
.....!!
NO!!
IT'S GOING THE SAME WAY AGAIN...!!

HUH...?
A DREAM!? WHAT ARE YOU SAYING...
YOU CAN'T LET THE PROGRAM CONTINUE RUNNING!!
IT'S A DREAM!! DO YOU UNDERSTAND!?

A DREAM...!!
.....!!

SHE REACTED!!

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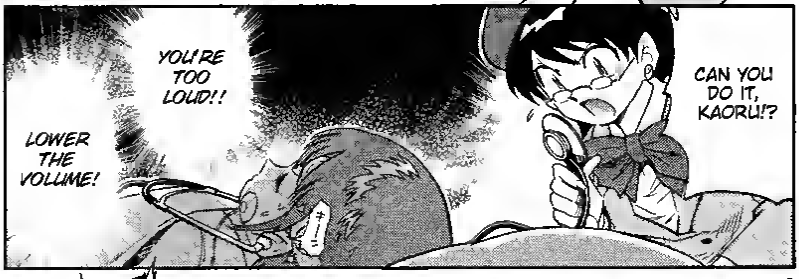
AS I THOUGHT, THE HYPNOSIS ON KAORU-CHAN IS SHALLOW!
IF SHE CAN SYNCHRONIZE WITH MINAMOTO'S MIND...
YEAH!!
SHE MIGHT BE ABLE TO TAKE MINAMOTO-SAN OUT OF THE DREAM!


CAN YOU DO IT, KAORU!?
YOU'RE TOO LOUD!!
LOWER THE VOLUME!

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WHERE'S THIS EXIT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!?
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO...
WE DON'T REALLY KNOW...
FROM THE

!?
WHAT IS IT?
AOI?
!!
MINA-MOTO!!
KAO...
STOP!!

RU!?
LET'S GET OUTTA HERE, MINAMOTO!!
THE NIGHTMARE'S OVER!
EH...?
...THAT'S RIGHT, THIS IS...!!

WE CAN GET THROUGH IT!!
THERE'S A GAP IN THE DREAM...!!

IF WE FORCE OURSELVES OUT OF THE DREAM PROGRAM, WE MIGHT FALL INTO COMA...
WAIT!!
IT'S NOT NECESSARILY AN EXIT!

EVEN SO,
THERE'S NOTHING ELSE WE CAN DO!!

YOU'RE SURE THIS IS THE PLACE.
"THE HOUND"?
YEAH.

HERE'S YOUR REWARD.
GOOD JOB.
YAY!
SHE'S INSIDE.
KUROMAKI'S MOST LIKELY THE ONLY ONE IN THERE.
...THIS CERTAINLY IS A NICE PLACE TO LIVE.
SHE MUST HAVE A LOT OF MONEY.
WHICH MEANS...
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DON'T THINK ABOUT THAT!!
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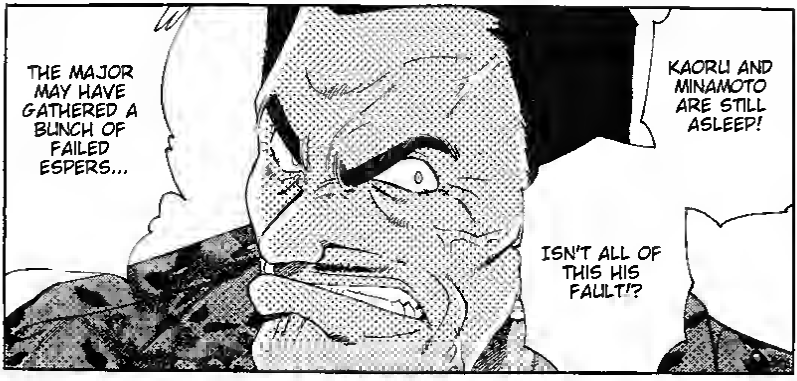
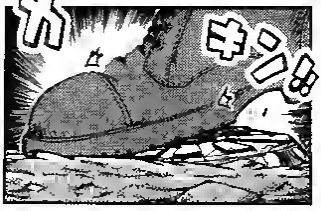
.....
YOU GET TREATED PRETTY WELL IF YOU JOIN HYOUBU-HAN'S GROUP...


THE MAJOR MAY HAVE GATHERED A BUNCH OF FAILED ESPERS...
KAORU AND MINAMOTO ARE STILL ASLEEP!
ISN'T ALL OF THIS HIS FAULT!?

AAAAAAAH!!
BUT B.A.B.E.L. WILL STOP HIM WITH OUR FULL STRENGTH!!
...OH, WAIT.
ATTAAACK!!

YES!!
SO AOI-NEESAN SHOULD GO IN FIR...OH, WAS I TOO LATE?
THERE'RE A WHOLE BUNCH OF LAND MINES HERE,
N... NOBODY MOVE!!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WHAT SHOULD WE DO?
WE'LL DEAL WITH THEM LATER!
THE TWO OF US SHOULD GO IN!

WE'LL BE BACK WITH KUROMAKI SOON,
SO JUST WAIT!
AH... HEY!
WAIT!

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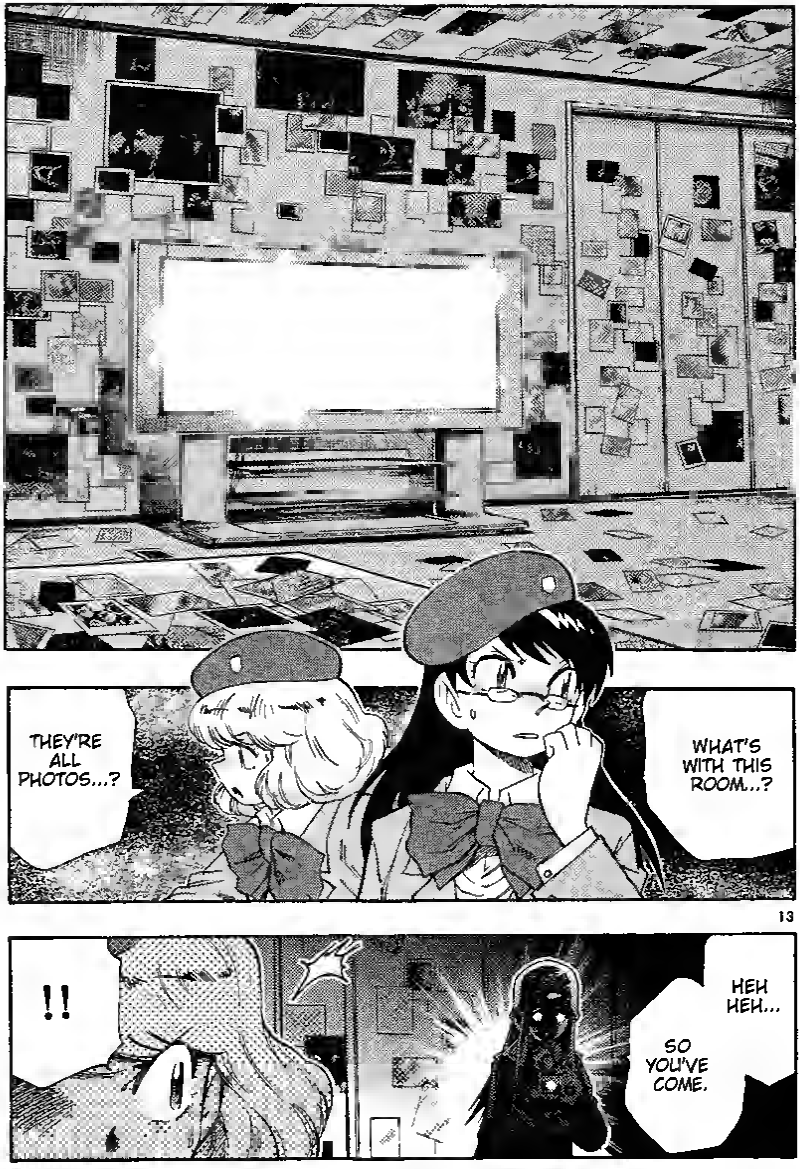
THEY'RE ALL PHOTOS...?
WHAT'S WITH THIS ROOM...?
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HEH HEH...
SO YOU'VE COME.

P.A.N.D.R.A
HEH HEH...
I'M SO GLAD I HAVE THIS MANY COMRADES.
FIRST UP IS "THE CHILDREN".
AND "THE HOUND" IS ON ALERT OUTSIDE.
WE'RE NOT YOUR COMRADES!!
WHAT DID YOU SAY!!
!!
THEN...
OH, IS THAT SO?

SLEEP UNTIL YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND!
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UMMM...
...LET'S SORT OUT WHAT'S HAPPENED.

WE'RE HAVING THE SAME DREAM DUE TO KUROMAKI SETSUKO'S POWERS.
THE IMPETUS WAS THAT PHOTO MADE WITH THOUGHTOGRAPHY.
HER POWER'S ACTIVATE WHEN SOMEONE SEES IT.
MOST LIKELY...
SHE THOUTOGRAPHS THE PHOTO WHILE LOOKING AT THE SAME IMAGE.
16
THEY DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THE PHOTO WAS OF.
WE'RE THE ONLY ONE'S WHO KNOW THAT IT WAS OF A CERTAIN WOMAN.
AND THE SAME DREAM BEGAN...
MINAMOTO, COULD IT BE THAT...

HYOUBU-SAN CALLS ME "QUEEN"...
BECAUSE HE KNOWS THAT THIS'LL HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE...!?
.....!!

IS THIS A PREDICTION!?
DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT THIS!?
17
KAORU...!!
THIS IS JUST A DREAM!!
ALSO...

I BELIEVE IN YOU.
YOU THREE ARE "THE CHILDREN"!

IT SUCKS, BUT I GUESS I'LL "ACCIDENTALLY" BLOW UP THE HOUSE.
NOW THEN...!
I WAS TOLD I COULD KILL ANYONE WHO CAME AFTER ME...

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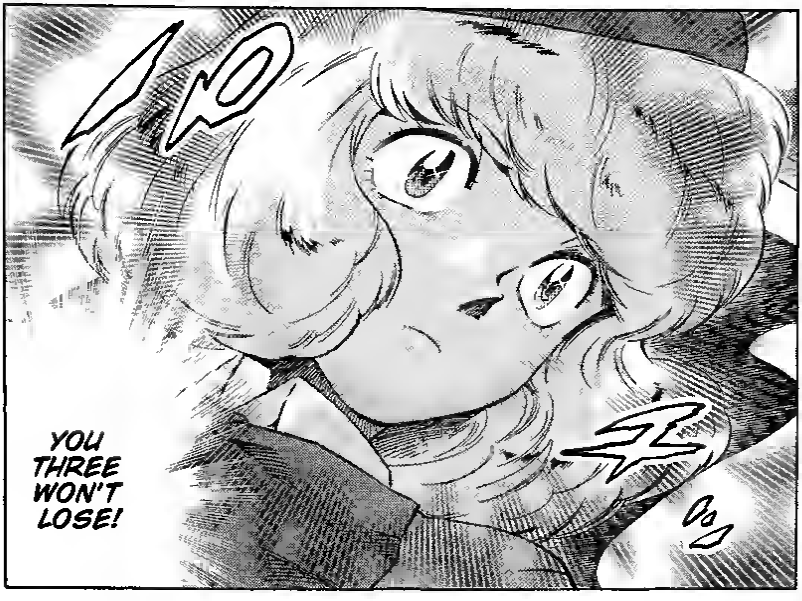
NO
YOU THREE WON'T LOSE!

9th sense.
サイコ・ダイバーズ(5)

Psycho Divers (5)

YOU...!!
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2
...MENTAL ATTACKS AREN'T VERY EFFECTIVE ON HIGH LEVEL ESPERS.
NOT TO MENTION...
THAT I'M A MENTAL TYPE TOO

PANDRA
LEICA
HEH HEH...
THIS TIME, I'LL PUT YOU INTO THE DEEPEST SLEEP THERE IS!
THEN I'LL DO IT AGAIN!!

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I'LL BE CAUGHT THE INSTANT I SEE THE SAME IMAGE AS HER!
!?
I MUSTN'T LOOK AT THAT...!!

TAKE THIS!!
パン
パン!!
WAAH!?
THIS IS A KID'S VERSION.
LIAR!!
WHY DOES A KID HAVE A GUN!?
I KNOW WHERE THE BULLETS WILL GO WITHOUT LOOKING.
I'M A PSYCHOMETER.
...WAIT, DID YOU JUST SHOOT BLIND!?

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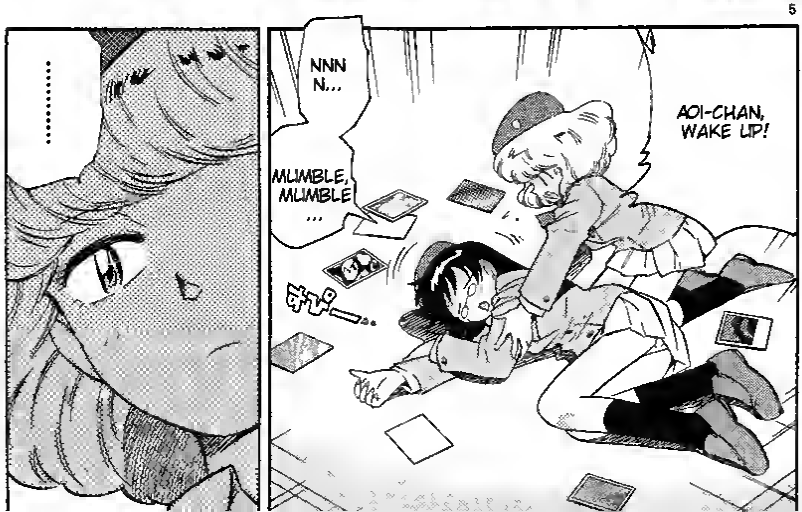
TCH...!!
WAIT!!
A SELF-DESTRUCT DEVICE...!!
I CAN'T CANCEL IT! IT'S GOING TO BLOW UP IN 30 SECONDS...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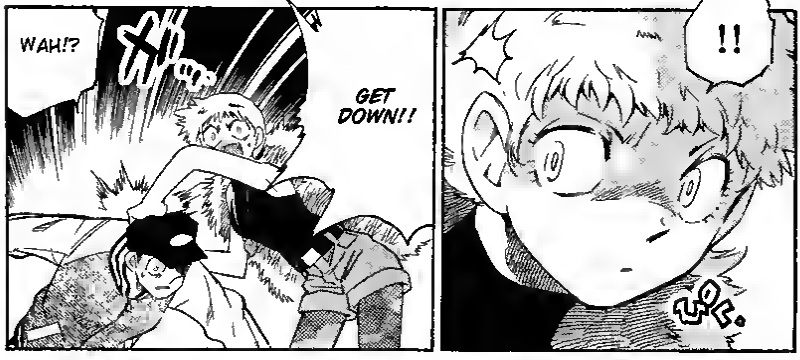
NNN N...
MUMBLE, MUMBLE ...
AOI-CHAN, WAKE UP!

AOI-CHAN,
THAT'S YOUR WEAK SPOT...
EE.... HAAA AAAA!?
N-NOT MY EAR!!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WAH!?
GET DOWN!!

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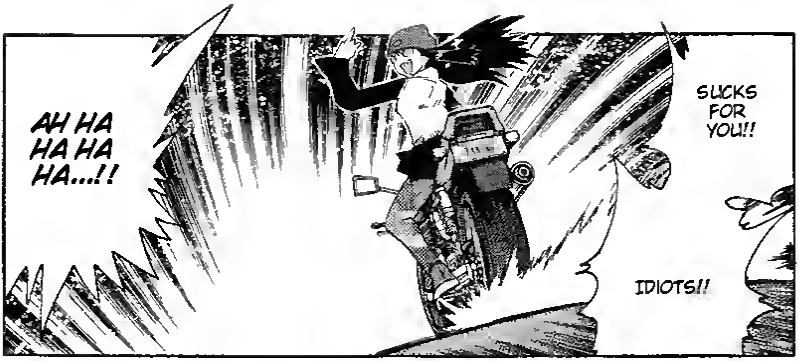
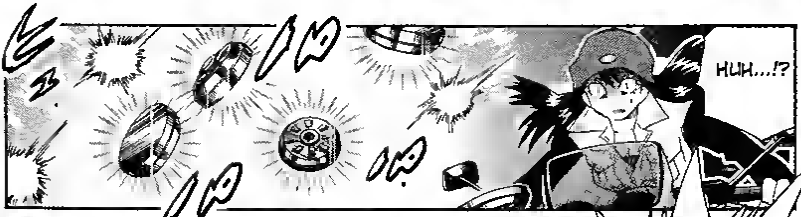
O'O
SEE YA, CHIEF!!
KUROMAKI!!!


AH HA HA HA HA...!!
SUCKS FOR YOU!!
IDIOTS!!

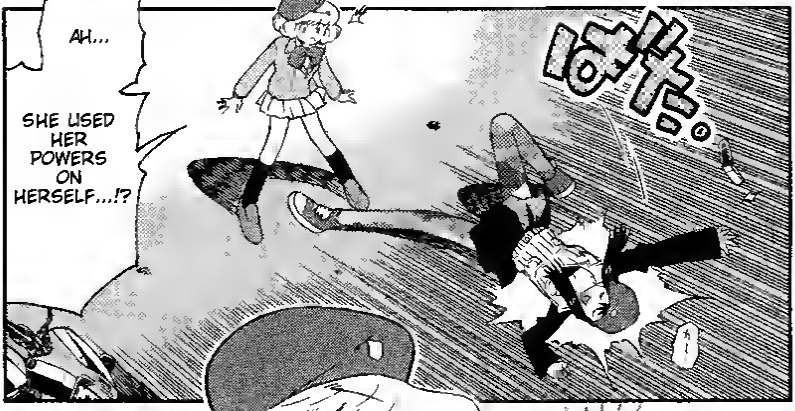

HUH...!?

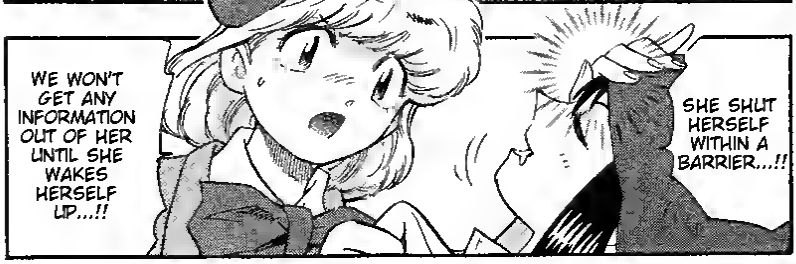
UGYAA AAH!?

I'VE MOVED ALL OF THE LAND MINES THAT WERE UNDER YOUR FEET!
YOU CAN MOVE NOW!
AOI...!!

YOU'RE GOING TO TELL IT ALL TO ME...!!
HOW TO GET MINAMOTO-SAN AND KAORU-CHAN OUT...
AND EVERYTHING ABOUT YOUR ORGANIZATION...
...SHIT!!
YOU WON'T GET ANYTHING FROM ME.
IT'S NO USE!!

BECAUSE...


AH...
SHE USED HER POWERS ON HERSELF...!?


WE WON'T GET ANY INFORMATION OUT OF HER UNTIL SHE WAKES HERSELF UP...!!
SHE SHUT HERSELF WITHIN A BARRIER...!!

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...ONLY YOURS IS THAT SENSITIVE.
WHAT IF WE ATTACK HER EARLOBE?

I WONDER HOW MUCH TIME HAS PASSED OUTSIDE.
I THOUGHT SHIHO AND AOI WOULD DO SOMETHING.
BUT IT MIGHT BE TOUGHER THAN I THOUGHT.
SINCE WE'RE THE ONE'S DREAMING...
MAYBE WE SHOULD DO SOMETHING TO GET OUT...!!
.....

I WOULDN'T REALLY...
MIND STAYING LIKE THIS.
DON'T BE STUPID!
WE CAN'T JUST STAY ASLEEP FOREVER, CAN WE!?
BUT WE'D BE TOGETHER FOREVER.
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IF YOU'RE NEXT TO ME LIKE THIS...
I'LL BE HAPPY.
KAORU!?
WAIT A SECOND!
COULDN'T THAT BE THE REASON WE CAN'T GET OUT!?
YOUR PSYCHIC WAVES ARE MANY TIMES STRONGER THAN THE CRIMINAL'S OR MINE!!

I KNOW IN REALITY I'M A 10 YEAR OLD KID,
BUT I DON'T WANT TO THINK LIKE THAT.
I'M NOT SURE IF I'M AN ADULT OR A CHILD.
RIGHT NOW...
THE DREAM PROGRAM IS AFFECTING YOU.
WHEN YOU WAKE UP, YOU'LL GO BACK TO NORMAL.
YOU'LL MOST LIKELY FORGET EVERYTHING YOU'RE THINKING AND FEELING NOW.
I DON'T WANNA.
I DON'T WANNA FORGET...!!
YOU'RE JUST THROWING A TANTRUM OVER WANTING THAT BIG BODY!!
WAKE UP!!
NO!!
BE-CAUSE!!
RIGHT NOW...

I LOVE YOU 10 TIMES MORE THAN WHEN I WAS 10!!
.....!!
KA... KAORU...!?
BUT... UMM...
.....
THIS MAY BE A DREAM...
BUT TO ME NOW, YOU'RE THE MAN WHO'S PROTECTED ME SINCE I WAS 10, AREN'T YOU?

ARE YOU MAKING FUN OF ME AGAIN?
NO, I'M NOT!
WHAT!?
WH...
BUT NOW I'M DIFFERENT FROM HOW I WAS THEN.
I THOUGHT THAT I HAD TO DO EVERYTHING I COULD TO GROW UP.
WHEN I WAS A KID, I HAD FUN OVER-EXTENDING MYSELF...
IS SHE CONSTANTLY THINKING OF THEM?
GROWING UP IS SO STRANGE.
SINCE I'M AN ADULT, WHEN I THINK UP A REALLY DIRTY JOKE, I WANT TO GET RID OF IT WITHIN MY HEART.
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DO YOU WISH I COULD REMAIN THE SMALL KAORU...!?
DO YOU HATE ME NOW?
NOW THAT I'VE GROWN UP AND SAY THIS KIND OF THING, DO YOU FIND ME ANNOYING?

KAORU...!!
IT'S ALL RIGHT.
EVEN IN THE REAL WORLD, I'LL STAY BY YOUR SIDE UNTIL YOU BECOME AN ADULT.
I DEFINITELY WILL.
PROMISE ME.
RE-ALLY?
SO I'LL ANSWER YOUR QUESTION...
WHEN I MEET THE REAL YOU.
!!

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I
PROMISE...!!

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WE'RE BACK.
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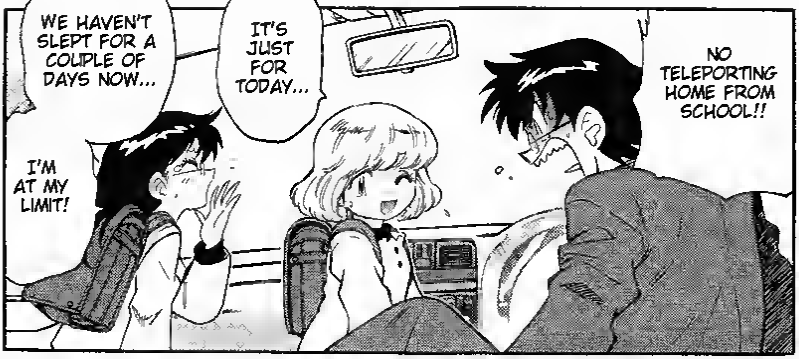
NO TELEPORTING HOME FROM SCHOOL!!
IT'S JUST FOR TODAY...
WE HAVEN'T SLEPT FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS NOW...
I'M AT MY LIMIT!

HOW'S KAORU!?
SINCE SHE'S FULL OF ENERGY...
SHE'S WALKING HOME WITH A FRIEND.

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YOU TWO... WORKED HARD FOR OUR SAKE.
THANK YOU.
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!
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AKASHI-SAN?
WHAT IS IT,
.....!!
HYOUBU-SAN...!!
QUEEN...!!
HEY, WELCOME HOME.
JUST AN... ACQUAINTANCE.
WHO'S HE?

I SAID EVERYTHING'S FINE...!!
IF SOMETHING HAPPENS USE THE SECURITY BUZZER, OKAY!?

...SURE. SEE YOU.
SORRY, BUT COULD YOU GO HOME FIRST?

HE...
LOOKS LIKE A HEARTLESS PERSON.

...A TELE-PATH, HUH.
ONE OF YOUR CLASS-MATES, QUEEN?
.....
HEY, COULD YOU STOP...
CALLING ME "QUEEN"?
WELL, THEN COULD YOU...
STOP ADDING "-SAN" TO MY NAME?

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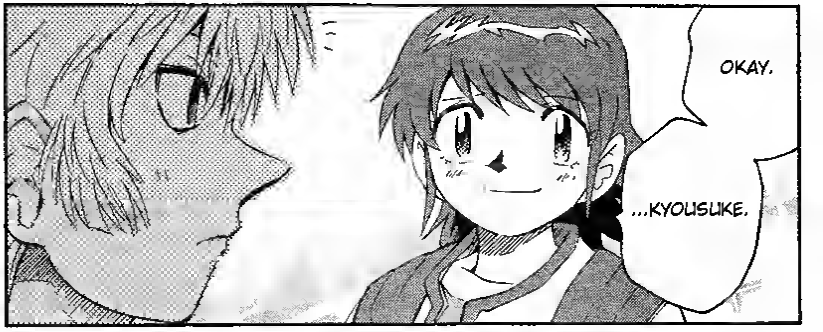
OKAY.
...KYOUSUKE.

FOR SAVING MINAMOTO...
THANK YOU, KYOUSUKE.
BECAUSE I LOST TO YOUR TEARS.
I GAVE YOU THE HINT...
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO ACTUALLY SAVED HIM.
YOU DON'T NEED TO THANK ME.
!

BUT IT WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN.
La La La
I UNDERSTAND NOW HOW DANGEROUS IT IS...
TO LEAVE YOU ALONE WITH THAT BOY.
I DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING ABOUT THE DREAM.
WHAT WAS IT OF?
WHAT DID I DO THERE...?
7
DON'T LISTEN TO WHAT HE SAYS, KAORU!!
!!
MINA-MOTO!!

HEY.
YOU SEEM TO BE DOING BETTER,
MINA-MOTO-KUN.
PUT BOTH OF YOUR HANDS ON THE GROUND!!
NOW!!
SILENCE!!
TAKE IT.
THIS IS PERFECT. I WANTED TO GIVE THIS TO YOU.
HEE HEE...
B
MINA-MOTO...!?
!!
!!

TO BE HONEST, I THOUGHT YOU WOULD HAVE GIVEN UP SOONER THAN THIS.
YOU STUCK WITH IT 10 TIMES LONGER THAN I THOUGHT YOU WOULD WITH THE PROGRAM REPEATING LIKE THAT.
IT'S HARD TO GET AN IDIOT TO GIVE UP.
THE ONE WHO WILL CHANGE THE FUTURE ISN'T YOU; IT'S ME.
HOWEVER
You perverted lolicon.

C'MON, SILLY MINAMOTO!
YOU DON'T NEED TO BE JEALOUS!!
SHUT UP!!
THAT PER-VEEE-EERT!!
IT'S GONNA BE A LITTLE DIFFERENT FORM HOW YOU WANT IT...!!
MUMBLE...
OKAY...
I'LL JUST LEAVE YOU ALONE FOR 5 YEARS
JUST 5 MORE YEARS...
AHHH

BABEL
YOU'RE SAYING THAT...
YOU HAVE DONE EVERYTHING IN YOUR POWER TO KEEP "THE CHILDREN" SAFE.
IS THAT WHAT YOU ARE CLAIMING?
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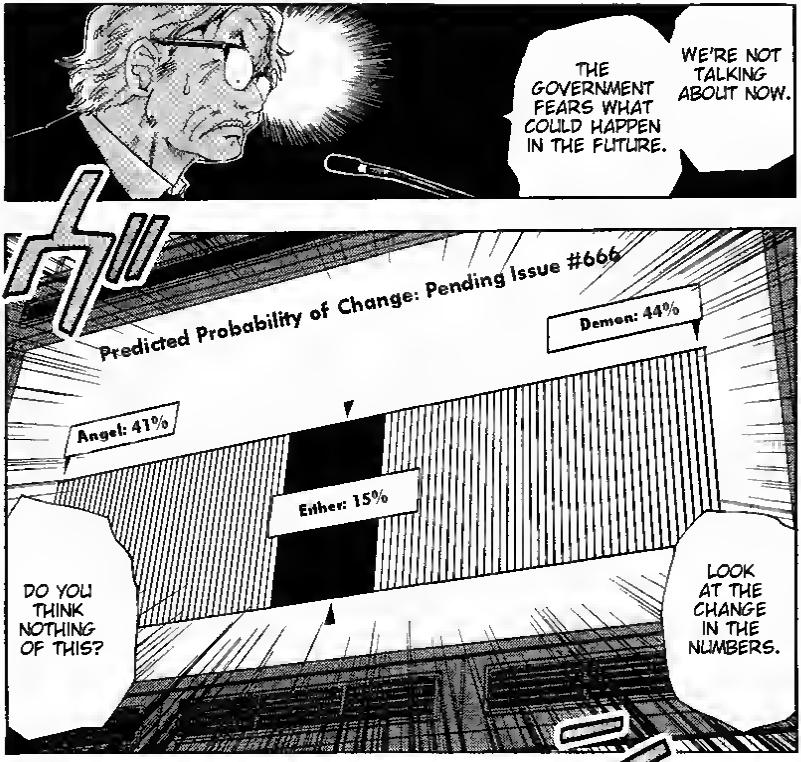
IT'S JUST THAT THEY'RE STILL CHILDREN...
AND ARE A BIT MISCHIEVOUS...
...YES.


WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT NOW.
THE GOVERNMENT FEARS WHAT COULD HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE.
Predicted Probability of Change: Pending Issue #666
Demon: 44%
Angel: 41%
Either: 15%
DO YOU THINK NOTHING OF THIS?
LOOK AT THE CHANGE IN THE NUMBERS.

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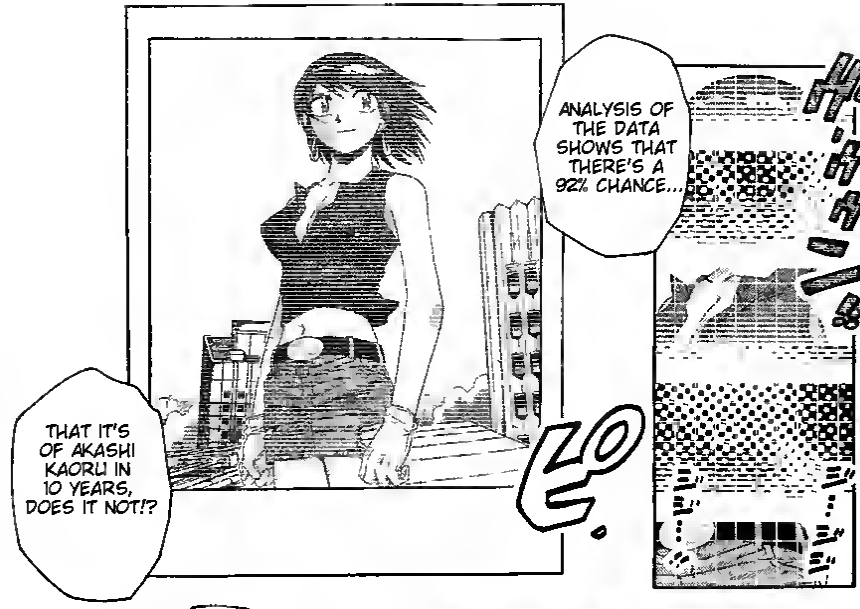
THERE'S ALSO...
THIS PHOTO!!
UH,
I THOUGHT I HID THAT DATA...!!


ANALYSIS OF THE DATA SHOWS THAT THERE'S A 92% CHANCE...
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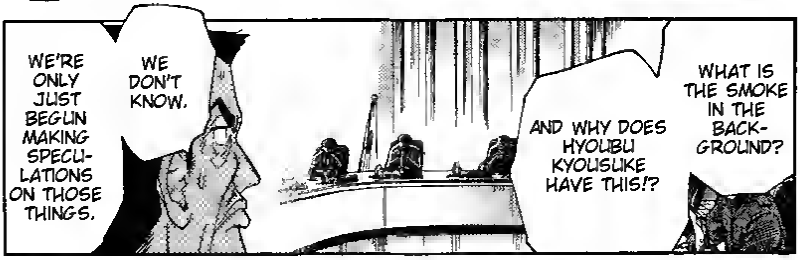
THAT IT'S OF AKASHI KAORU IN 10 YEARS, DOES IT NOT!?


WE'RE ONLY JUST BEGUN MAKING SPECULATIONS ON THOSE THINGS.
WE DON'T KNOW.
AND WHY DOES HYOUBU KYOUSUKE HAVE THIS!?
WHAT IS THE SMOKE IN THE BACKGROUND?

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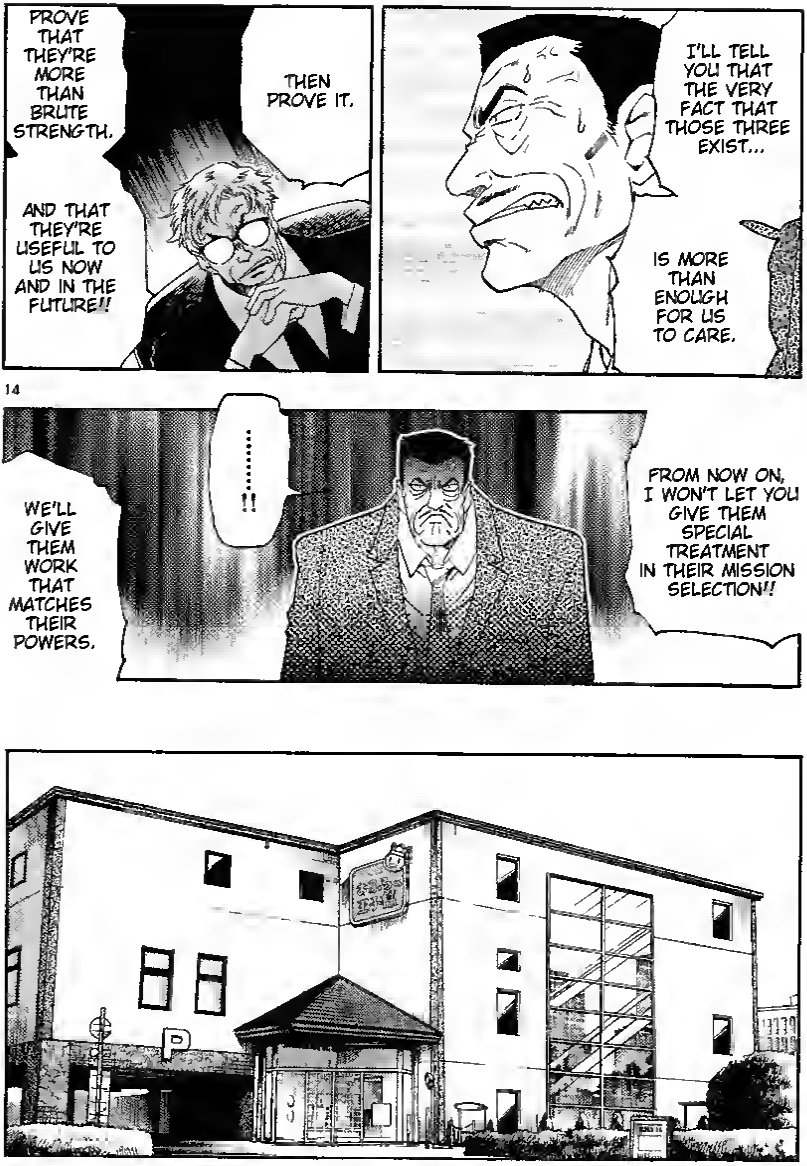
AND...
IF YOU SAY LEVEL 7 ESPERS ARE UNNECESSARY?
ONE THING'S FOR SURE: "THE CHILDREN" ARE OUR COUNTRY'S TREASURES.


PROVE THAT THEY'RE MORE THAN BRUTE STRENGTH.
AND THAT THEY'RE USEFUL TO US NOW AND IN THE FUTURE!!
THEN PROVE IT.
I'LL TELL YOU THAT THE VERY FACT THAT THOSE THREE EXIST...
IS MORE THAN ENOUGH FOR US TO CARE.
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WE'LL GIVE THEM WORK THAT MATCHES THEIR POWERS.
.....!!
FROM NOW ON, I WON'T LET YOU GIVE THEM SPECIAL TREATMENT IN THEIR MISSION SELECTION!!

On sign: Bath Queen

AN OPEN AIR BATH WITH A ROOM WOULD'VE BEEN NICE.
I WANNA JUMP ON OVER TO THE HOT SPRING...
WOULDN'T THE GOVERNMENT BE PAYING FOR IT!?

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.....
YOUR QUESTION WHEN I MEET THE REAL YOU.
I'LL ANSWER ...
GEEZ, THOSE GIRLS...
THEY'RE CUTE, BUT AT THE SAME TIME NOT CUTE...!!
ARE YOU A MAN OR NOT!?
"A GIRL"? YOU...!!
IS THAT HOW YOU REACT TO A GIRL INVITING YOU TO A HOT SPRING!?
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I CAN'T DO IT.
I CAN'T ANSWER HER RIGHT NOW!!
THEY'RE HUUUGE!!
WOAH!
WHERE!?
WOW, SHE HAS BIG BREASTS!
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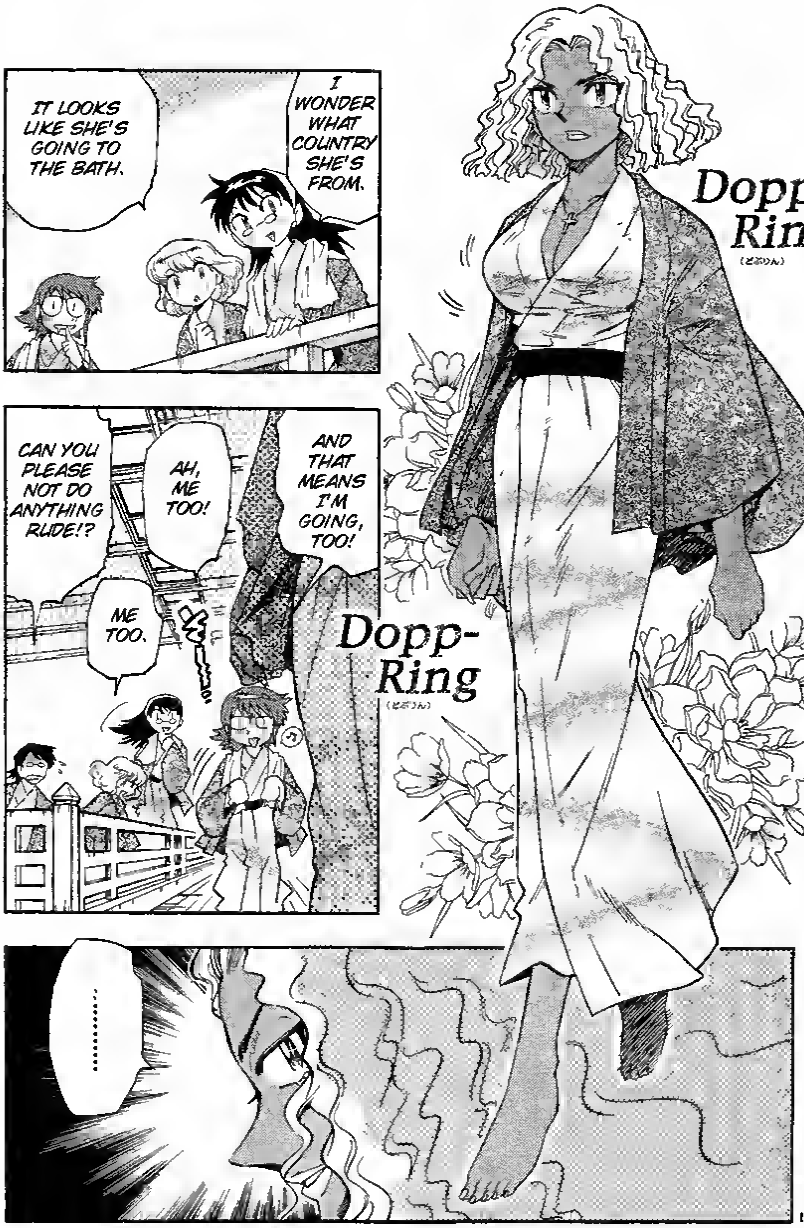
I WONDER WHAT COUNTRY SHE'S FROM.
IT LOOKS LIKE SHE'S GOING TO THE BATH.
Dopp-Ring
(ドプン)
AND THAT MEANS I'M GOING, TOO!
AH, ME TOO!
CAN YOU PLEASE NOT DO ANYTHING RUDE!?
ME TOO.
Dopp-Ring
(ドプン)
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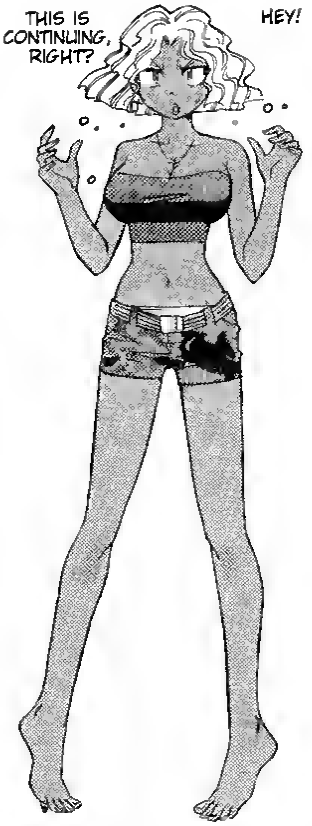
THIS IS CONTINUING, RIGHT?
HEY!

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I WANT TO GO TO A HOT SPRING!!
REALLY!?
ISN'T THAT A BIT CLICHED?
MINAMOTO-KUN SAID HE WOULD TAKE US SOMEWHERE TO CELEBRATE OUR FULL RECOVERY!!
HEY, HEY...
IN THIS CASE THE CLICHES WOULD BE...
THE CLICHES ARE THE BEST!!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE CLICHES!?
WE'LL GO FOR ALL OF THE CLICHES!!
It would definitely be a stone open air bath.
THIS FEELS SO GOOD...
AHHHH!!

GEEZ, YOU'RE SO PERVERTED KAORU-CHAN!!
CAN I TOUCH THEM A LITTLE!?
KASHIWAGI-SAN'S BREASTS ARE SO BIG...!!
WOW!
For some reason the female characters flirt more than is necessary.
The main character's friend would suggest that they peek.
The main character is unable to stop him.
LET'S PEEK, MINA-MOTO-OOOOO!!
EH, H-HEY ...!!

!!
KYA AAAAH!!
I THINK IN REALITY, YOU WOULD GO DOWN INTO THE WATER UP TO YOUR NECK IN THIS SITUATION...
OK
The girls will be extremely exaggeratedly surprised and purposefully stand up out of the bath.

The main character will commit a blunder and be caught peeking.
Sakaki
NOO!! YOU'RE THE WORST!!
M-MINA-MOTO-SAN!!
N-NO!!
I-I...
The main character will start feeling dizzy.
UH!?

And the girls will end up being very kind.
NORMALLY THIS WOULD MARK THE END OF YOUR SOCIAL LIFE.
THIS IS BAD. WE NEED TO GET HIM TO HIS ROOM...!
A-ARE YOU OKAY, MINAMOTO-SAN!?
KYAH...!!
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O-OHH!?
!!
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AH...
"OHH, HE'S UNEXPECTEDLY..."
"LET'S SEE, LET'S SEE." ♡

Hot Spring Trip Cancelled

Continues in Chapter 25

Even the ending was clichéd